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ow! I sn't school ?

The school you through the
day, providing six (or seven) hours of .
Every day, the cafeteria dishes out piping
hot for lunch. Sometimes classes
are so ! In fact, I'm certain
that my 6th hour teacher is a direct
descendant of . I've got a
club meeting after school, and
I have to go dressed as a . On
Friday night I'm going to the game to
. After the game there's a big
. With so many kids, the
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'cause in just one day there's

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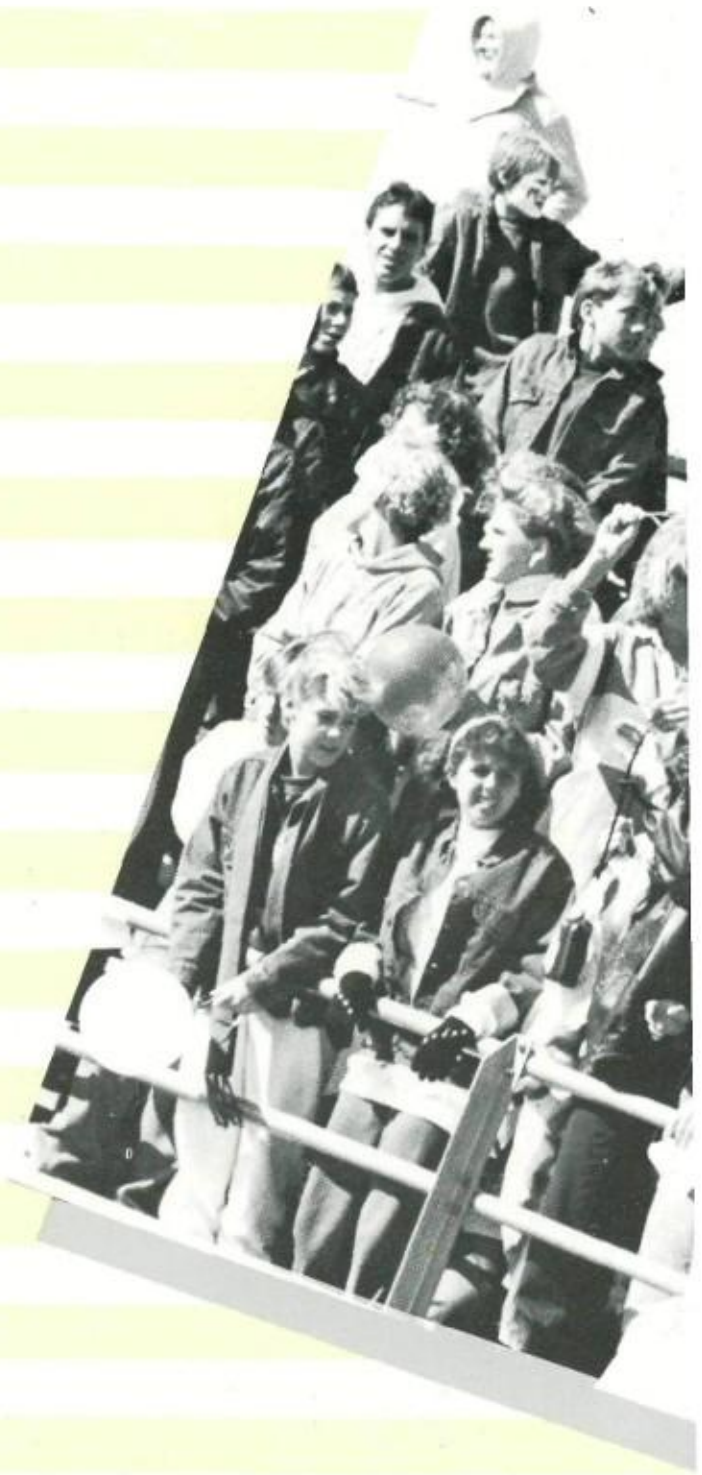

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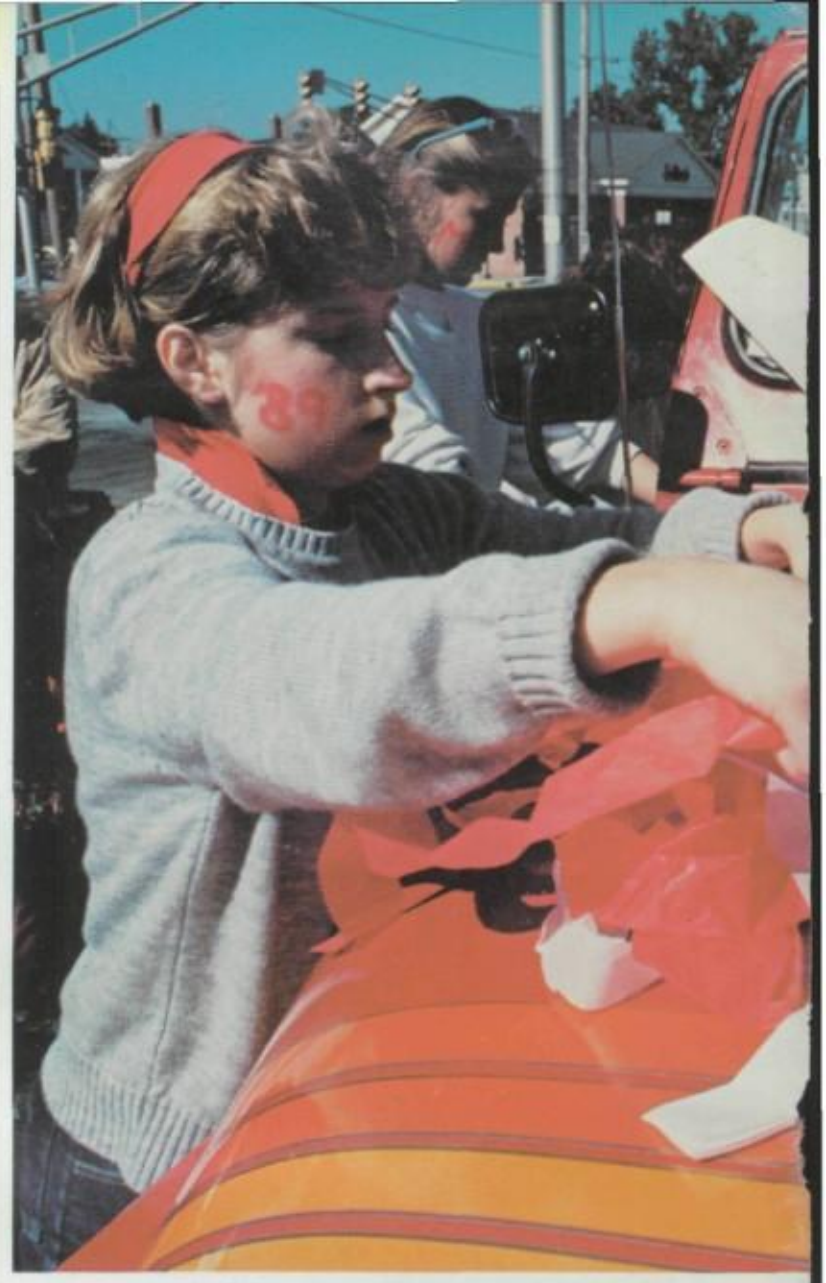
Serving it up
Helping themselves to a French feast, freshmen Barbie Etter, Leslie Darrow, Vickie Vrabel, Laura Dunn, Kathleen Blair and Sarah Kosenka enjoy hors d'oeuvres from the "land of romance." Sampling foreign fare was just one way of enhancing the flavor of a foreign language.

Final touches
Pressed for time, Lisa Fehring, sophomore, works quickly to decorate the Class of '89's jeep, for the Homecoming parade. The Sophomore Class's skillful touch helped them to capture first place in the float competition.



Crazy nails
Filled to the fingers with school spirit, freshman Polly Falaschetti, shows her school spirit in a different way. Unique students searched for new alternatives to support a unique team.

Catch of the day
Fishing for the right equation, juniors Karen Kunkel and Karen Lesko test the different acids and bases. Working in the lab gave students the chance to solve challenging problems and accumulate extra-points.

Morning, noon and night *Something for everyone*

Catering to 1243 students and 76 teachers should be a difficult task. From skateboarding fanatics to the fashion-conscious students, diverse personalities created different needs and interests for the school to facilitate. Non conformist "Punk" hairstyles shared hallways with with conservative crew cuts, ripped jeans rubbed knees with Guess jumpers, and hi-tops walked in stride with high heels. Every imaginable personality had some blank they wanted to fill, and pleasing everyone wouldn't be easy.

Grouchy seniors
"Grouchy" after an all-nighter with Oscar, the seniors give their last hurrah as they kick off their final Homecoming parade. Although unsuccessful after three attempts to win, a combined effort helped them gain the consolation of second place.

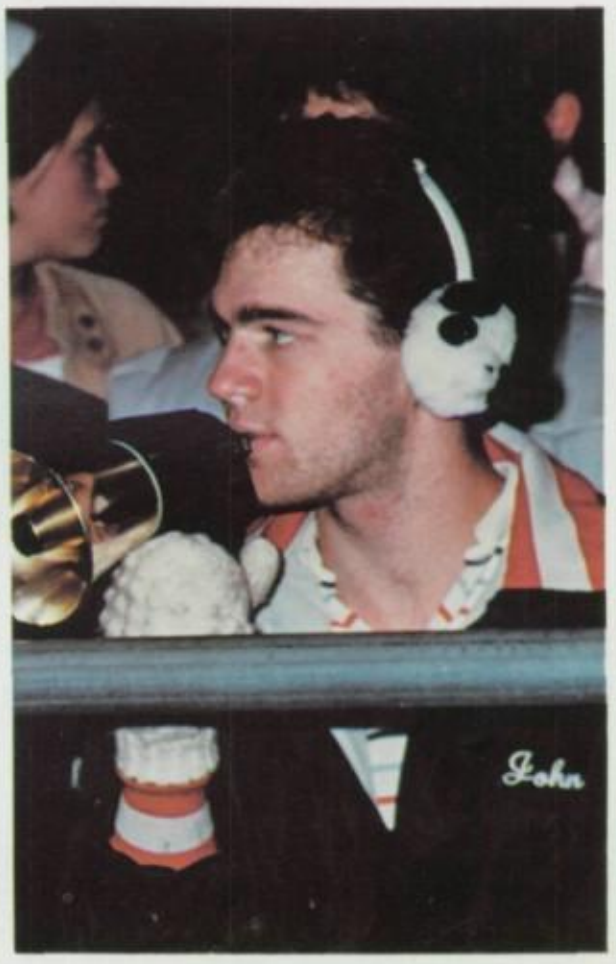
But as the year wore on, each student found numerous opportunities for filling in the blanks. An approved School Town referendum brought $600,000 in extra funds to raise educational services and purchase needed equipment. Foreign exchange students Americanized quickly and developed special interests of their own. The victories of a history-making football team gave students something to cheer about at a wild pep session as the 'Stangs prepared for their first Semi-State experience. Furthermore, a newly formed Trivia Team captured first place in their opening competition. Whatever the event, "something for everybody" rang true, for in the end, the school managed to have

Over 1200 served

Classy brass
Trumpeting to the Mustang Fight Song, senior Kathy Sims helps to keep the crowd rowdy. Though often overlooked, the Band was instrumental in keeping the crowd entertained.

Opposites attract
Formally dressed in a casual setting, senior Brad Echterling escorts Rea Robinson, junior, to her next class. Students' attire varied from the usual jeans and T-shirt to the out-of-the-ordinary dress and high heels.

Un-"bear"-ably cold
Intent on enjoying the football game, John Stewart, senior, comes prepared with air-horn in hand and bear muffs on head. Fans often found themselves braving the evening's chilling elements in order to catch the excitement of a live contest.

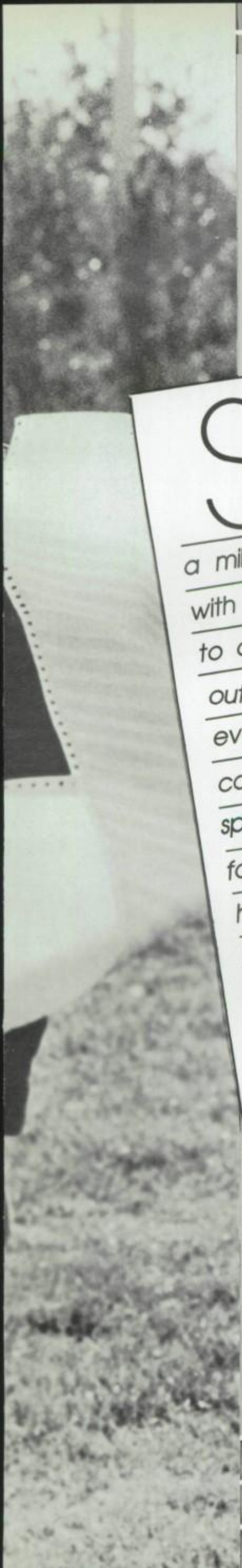


Picture-perfect tackle.
Caught from behind by junior Larry Wiley, an unlucky Calumet Warrior is stopped short of a first down. The Mustang's staunch defense held the Warriors to only 16 points in their Homecoming victory.

Checking it twice
Surrounded by his "short" speech, senior football co-captain Dan Porter jokes with the crowd during the Homecoming pep rally. Two wild pep rallies were held to honor the record setting Mustangs.

Gang of four
Grooving to the sounds of Madonna, juniors Amanda McKinney, Kristen Sanek, Lori Anderson and Jody Clapman share a dance together. Dances became popular places for people to let down their hair and kick up their heels with friends.

Three's company
"Viciously" tickling senior Missy Johnson, seniors Andy Sherman and Goran Kralj gang up on their friend. Students could be found goofing around from the Commons to the classrooms.



Students pressed for time found it difficult trying to compact a million and one things into an ordinary school day. Weighted down with studying, homework assignments and responsibilities, students had to act quickly before the good times rolled on. The year started out with a big bang. The Sophomore Class surprised everybody but themselves at Homecoming as they captured first place in the float competition. Keeping that spirit fueled, a raucous pep rally honored the Semi-State bound football team. The second annual Battle of the Bands entertained a full house as Uniform of Youth jammed their way to 1st place in a three hour rock-a-thon. Juniors and seniors faced a new twist as couples spent their Prom evening in an all too Common place. Whether cramming in unlearned lines for a play, staying after to make up a Chemistry lab, or squeezing in last minute shopping for that obnoxious gag-gift, students found stray moments a blessing, and each lasted

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DAY IN, DAY OUT WEEKLY ROUTINE ROLLS ON

Twenty-four hours made up every day, seven days a week. Sometimes it seemed like time dragged on and on; other times, the minutes flew by and it seemed there would never be time to fit in everything that needed to be done. Regardless of how time passed, most weeks took on the familiar routine.

"Good morning Chicagoland! At 6:30 a.m., it's 50 degrees in the Windy City and looking to be another beautiful day!"

Many students found themselves starting off their week days with the sounds of their favorite early morning D.J.'s. For some, the day began earlier that 6:30 a.m. People enrolled in Project Biology had to be in school by 6:50 a.m. for the class, which meant that they got up earlier than many of their fellow students.

"Being in Project Bio is a major pain, because I have to get up so early," senior Sara Holtan felt. "However, I've gotten used to it and I've just learned to rush."

Some athletes also felt the time bind as they reported for early morning practices. "I really had to rush to get to swim practice," freshman Patty Luna said. "Then, after the workout, preparing for first hour was a pain. Sometimes I had to blowdry my hair in the hallway."

When no special before-school activities required getting up early, students were frequently tempted to sleep late. "Most of the time I sleep in until my mom screams me out of bed or my dad drags me out by the hair," senior Todd Marchand confessed.

Over-sleeping forced students to find time-saving tactics in order to make it to school on time. "If I get up late," explained senior Tony Hanas, "I jump in the shower, hop in my car, and drive across Community Park as a short-cut to get to school on time."

Perhaps students would have found it easier to avoid the morning rush if they had started their morning routines earlier. But this was easier said than done in many cases. "I always promise myself that I'm gonna wake up earlier, but when the alarm rings, I say 'five more minutes,' " Patty giggled.

"I always think I should wake up earlier, but I'm too tired in the morning," Todd said. "There's no changing a dedicated procrastinator."

Other students followed strict routines to help stay on schedule. "I feel that I'm extremely organized. I know exactly what I'm going to do and what I'm going to wear," junior Mari Ignacio explained. "I have a schedule I follow every day."

Morning tasks sometimes included finishing homework that wasn't completed the night before. "When I do decide to do my homework, I usually save it until the morning," senior Jim Agness said.

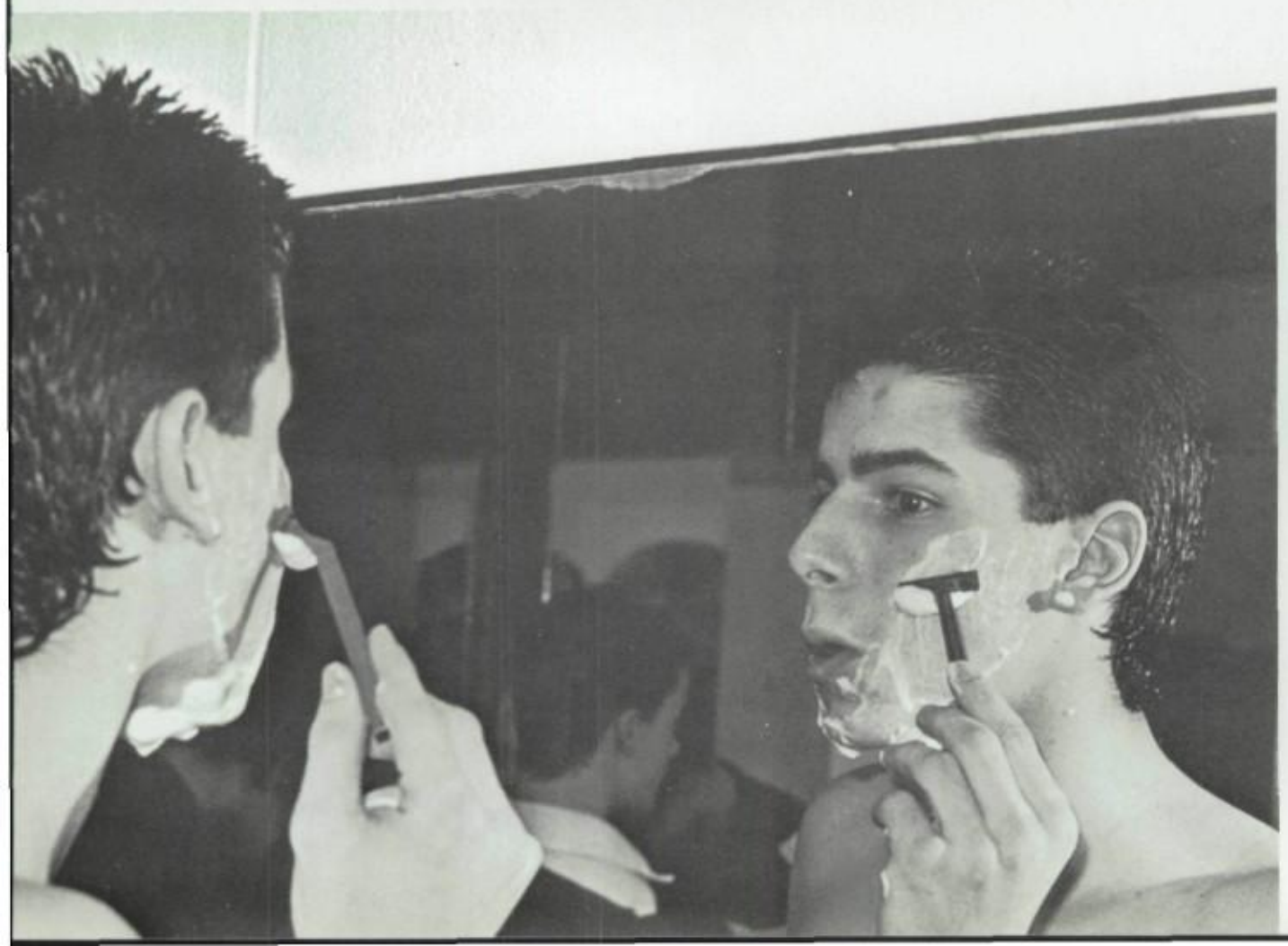
Others found it difficult to finish their assignments during the a.m. hours. "If I tried to wake up early to study, my brain wouldn't function and I'd fall asleep," Todd said, "I find it ineffective."

"If I have homework left from the night before, I don't do it," agreed sophomore Jen Beres.

Whether spending the time doing homework, sleeping in, or practicing for athletic teams, students managed to fill the time between the sound of their clock's alarm and the last buzz of the school's tardy bell. Regardless of how they filled in those minutes, one thing was clear: another school day was about to begin.

What a drip
As he rinses off after morning practice, senior Jonathan Sherman prepares for the school day ahead. Swimmers, along with other athletes, found themselves rising before the sun to prepare for a more successful season.

Step right up
With a foot in the door, freshman Rogan Beckman hops on the bus, while freshman Jo Galvin waits for her turn. Having to get up to make the 7:05 trip mean's getting up before the crack of dawn.



Rise and shine
Rolling out of bed to the sound of her alarm, freshman Andrea Fefferman, leans over to turn off the blaring radio.

The razor's edge
After early morning swim practice, junior Mike Micenko shaves in the mirror of the locker room. Swimmers opted to get ready at school due to their early arrival.

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Nibbles 'n' Bits
As she takes a bite out of her pizza, junior Racquel Luera listens intently to the gossip at her lunch table. Lunch provided a break from routine classwork.

Brown-bagging It
As she peeks into her lunch sack, junior Hilary Hall checks out her noon time meal. Lunch hour also gave Hilary the chance to listen to her favorite songs and read a book.

Munching minutes— to lunch or not to lunch?

Minutes before lunch, Joe's stomach growled obnoxiously. Whether he had an important U.S. History test to study for, or late nights of cramming had finally caught up with him, those 28 minutes became an important part of his day.

The Commons and the library became popular lunch hour spots. "When I have a big test, I skip lunch and go to the Commons or the library for some last minute cramming," senior Tony Hanas explained. Usually filled, the commons housed many frantic students catching up on last minute studying.

Many students used lunch as a time to relax. "Lunch is a great time to catch up on all the latest gossip!" freshman Erica Boehm said.

Others used it to catch up on much needed sleep "Long wrestling practices and studying kept me up late so I used the time to sleep," said sophomore Tom Ellison.

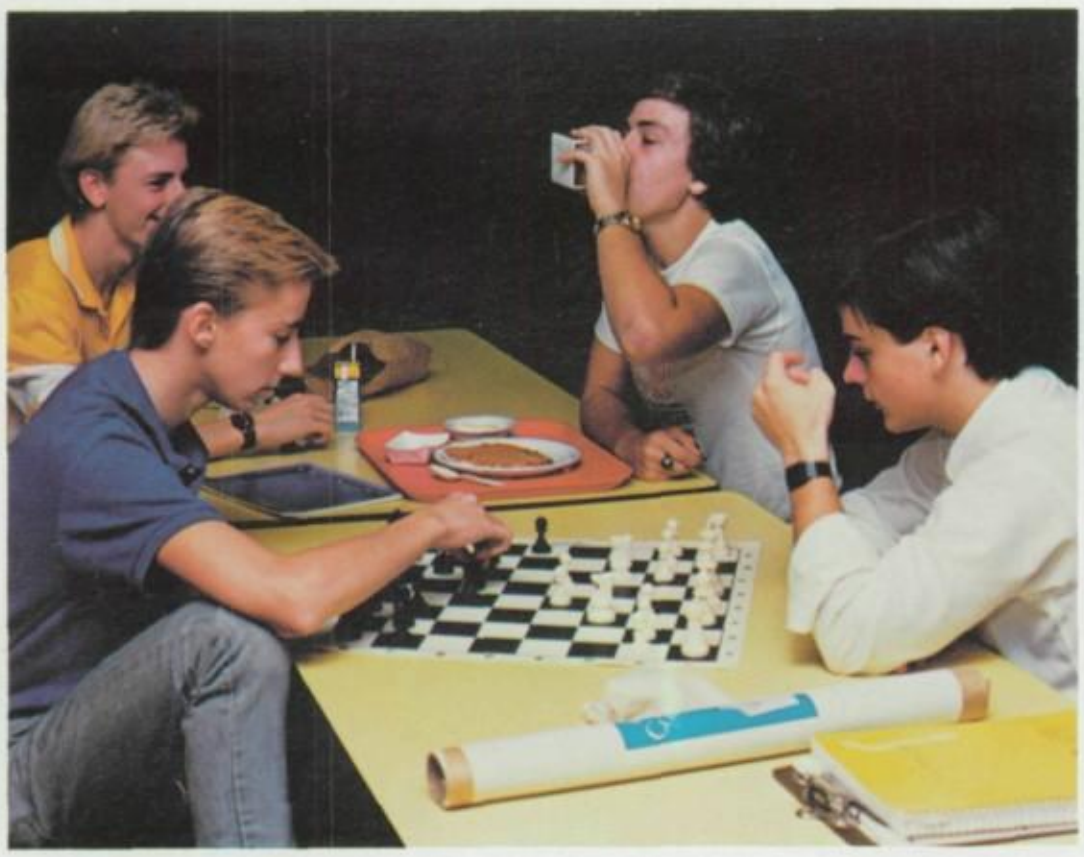
Some students skipped lunch to study, others found themselves making weight for an athletic team. "My gymnastic diet kept me from eating sweets at lunch, so I usually ate soup and salad," junior Mary Blaesing said.

Gymnasts weren't alone. "I try to eat light to maintain my weight for wrestling," freshman Mike Bacino said.

While most students settled for the cafeteria offerings, others evaded the administration and went to Burger King, McDonalds, Wendy's or local fast food places. "It is fun sneaking out of school to get a large shake and maybe fries," junior Penny Opatera said. But Ms. Martha Groff, administration aid, took this rule infraction seriously by patrolling the halls and the parking lots, looking for students who went out to lunch. "I drove my car into the student parking lot and parked between cars so they couldn't see me," Ms. Groff explained.

As the last second of the 28 minute break slipped away and the bell rang. Joe went back to class, anxiously awaiting the next 6 minute break between classes.

The easy life
Warm autumn weather lures juniors Mike Vlasich, Patrick Pluard, Neal Lorenzi, and senior David Bukowski to relax in the shade. Relaxing outside was another option to lunching.



Sacked out
In a comfortable position, sophomore Jeff Crist "cops some z's" during lunch. Jeff had the perfect opportunity to snooze on sunny days.

Checkmate!
With great concentration, seniors Mark Sloniker and Brad Ecterling use their lunch hour to perfect their chess game. Junior Tom Feirek and senior Bob Berbeco spend their lunch hour in a leisurely fashion.

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Students flock to catch love in the afternoon

As the final bell rang at 2:45 p.m., students packed up their books and left the school day behind. They looked forward to planning their free time any way they chose.

Some students went home and headed straight for the TV set. "I like to watch 'Love Connection' because it's fun seeing the couples argue," said senior Yoko Nakamura.

Others couldn't wait to go home and catch up on favorite shows that they had taped during the school day. "I go home and watch my soap operas on the VCR," explained freshman Keri Flickinger.

While many students killed time by watching TV, others found different ways to avoid boredom. "I talk on the phone, go shopping, or do my homework if there's absolutely nothing else to do," senior Karen Livingston explained.

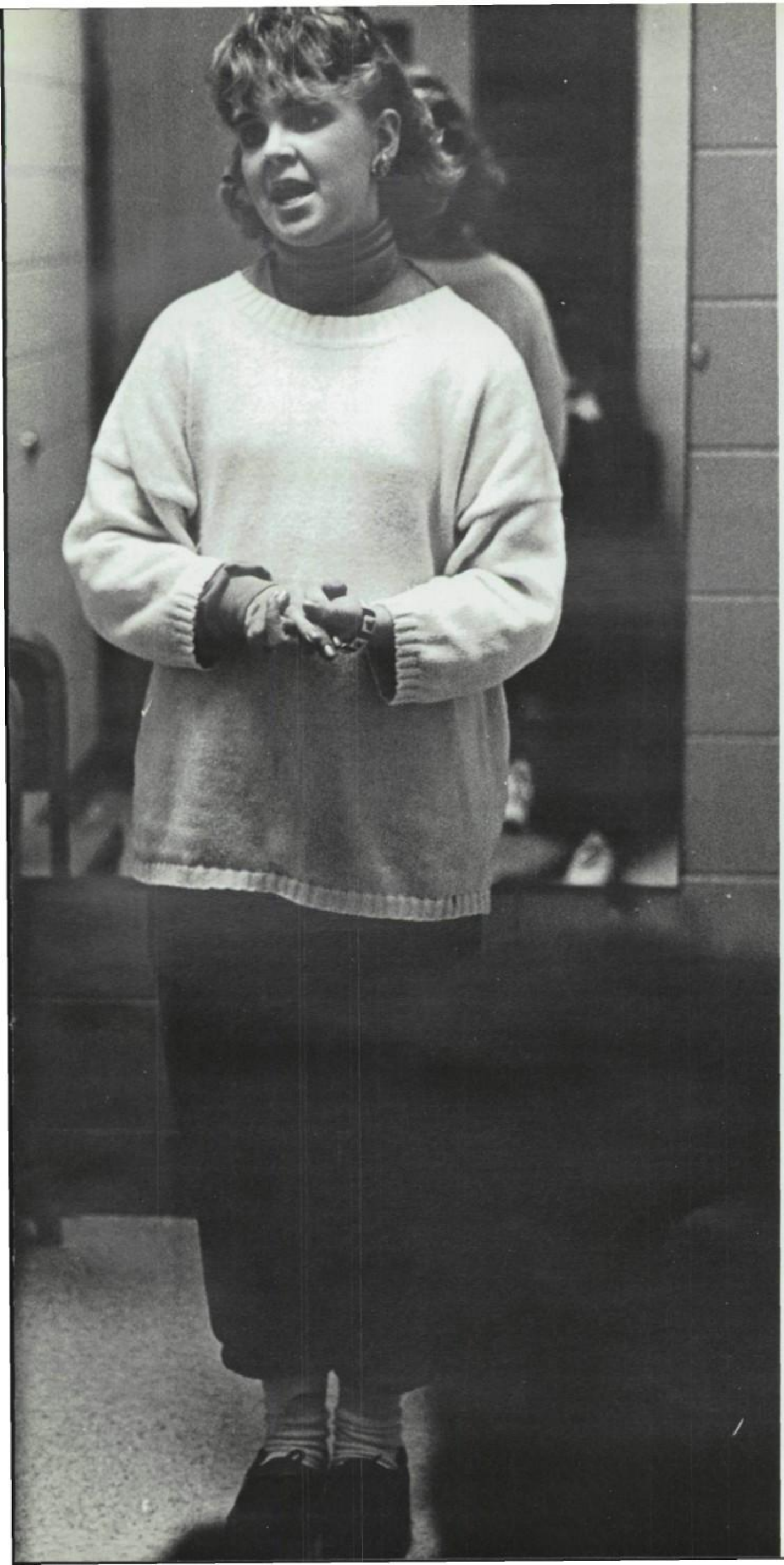
Although many students went home right after school, others were involved in sports and extracurricular activities, which took up a major part of their after school time. "During the tennis season, I find my time is limited," explained senior Penny Karr. "I'm on a tighter schedule because of a two-hour daily practice, so I just can't sit around and watch TV. I have to get my homework done first."

However, not everyone shared Penny's views. "When I get home from Drill Team practice, I'm too tired to do my homework, so I go over to a friend's house," said sophomore Kim Terandy.

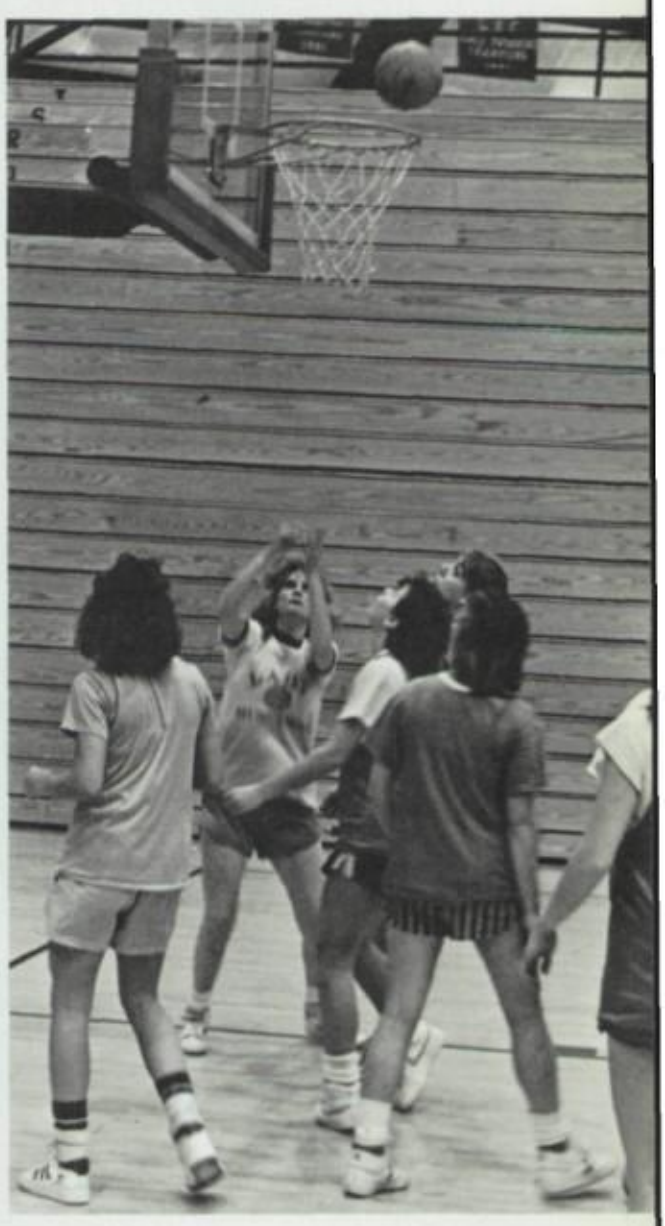
Whatever they did, students found ways to spend their after school time. They were relieved to just get the day over and find time to unwind.

Love Connection
Engrossed in the trials and tribulations of a blind date, junior Jerry Cabrera and sophomore Jen Beres enjoy "Love Connection." "Love Connection," "The Dating Game," and "Divorce Court " dominated after school TV time as students unwound from a hectic day at school.

Mirrored Image
Gestures and facial expressions became an effective aide for sophomore Karen Kunkel as she practices her Oral Interpretation speech for one of the speech coaches. Team members used after school time to work in the mirrored practice rooms with the coaches to perfect their techniques.



Takin' a break
Conversing on the phone with a friend, freshman Becca Ochstein gets a bite to eat in order to pass time after school. Rushing to the refrigerator or talking on the phone were common practices after a long day of school.



Give it your best shot
As the ball bounces on the rim and junior Kris Siebecker hopes her shot will sink, fellow teammates practice a scrimmage game while preparing for their next game. Sports practices and actual meets and games, including Girls' Basketball, filled after school time.

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No bones about it
Chopping Boneless chicken for a Chinese meal, senior Johnathon Sherman helps out with dinner. Early evening hours often found students lending a hand in kitchen duties.

Ring it up
Diligently adding up the customer's items, junior Cathy Nisiewicz slides products over the electronic sensor. Cathy, along with many other students, worked on weeknights in order to earn needed spending money.

There's no time like night-time

When the last bite of dinner was ingested and the table was cleared, students searched for alternatives to fill their week night hours and avoid homework as long as possible.

Prime time television seemed to be the answer. Whether watching sitcoms, dramas, or the conclusions to last weeks cliff-hanger, students set aside homework. "I tell myself I'll do my homework after one show, but another one comes on, and another, and soon, I just go to bed," freshman Patty Luna said.

Students who didn't view TV spent their time cheering on fellow students at different athletic events.

Some students had personal reasons for attending athletic events. "I go to the swim meets to see my boyfriend. That gives us a chance to see each other since we both have hectic schedules," senior Kerry Deignan explained.

Others spent their evenings running back and forth doing errands. "Sometimes I go out and get fun things like Jolt," said Andrea Roy, junior.

Many students eventually got around to studying; however, it was just a question of when. "I tried to get all my homework done early, so I could do whatever I wanted the rest of the night," sophomore Sharon Kim said.

For some students duty called, which meant work took priority over homework. "Working at a local pizza place took up a lot of my time, but it really got me sick of pizza," junior Sean Brennon added.

Although homework may have been piled on during the week, as students crammed for Friday tests or World Literature projects, the weekend was always just around the corner waiting to offer relief.

Tuned out
With her attention focused on Algebra II, sophomore Allison Dedelow turns her attention away from the evenings programs. Homework often took precedence over the television's offerings.

Switch time
Checking the listings, junior Jim Dryjanski and sophomore Jenna Chevigny search for a program to watch. Watching evening TV gave couples time to relax together.

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A moment of silence
As he lights a candle at Our Lady of Grace Church in Highland, sophomore Tim Dillon takes a moment to offer petition by lighting a candle. Weekends not only found students at play but fulfilling religious obligations.

Snow job
Ready to strike, senior Michelle Moore threatens junior Gary Eldridge with a snowball. Six inches of snow provided new possibilities for weekend fun, giving students the added options of snowball fights, skiing, and ice-skating.

Table for two
Exhausted and hungry from their shopping spree, senior Jenny Koo and sophomore Sharon Pavol enjoy a quick french snack at Café Croissant on Michigan Avenue. Weekend visits to Chicago for shopping and eating were popular boredom busters.

Deuces wild
Deck in hand, senior Chris Shaver deals out a round of poker. Waiting for his cards, senior Tim Broderson fantasizes about how the cards should fall.

Overworked until welcomed-weekends

How did students spell relief? W-E-E-K-E-N-D!

This remedy provided the cure from a week filled with homework and tests.

Students anticipated weekends as an escape from a hectic weekly routine. "Because there isn't school and I can do whatever I want, weekends are the best days of the week," junior Brian Zemaitis said.

Students faced many options for weekend activities. Some played card games to spend time with friends. "Our weekend card games were fun because they offered a chance to get together with all the boys and chew some fat," junior Shaun Barsic said.

Trips to Chicago also added to weekend fun. "My most memorable moment was when I went to Chicago in search of Duran Duran, following a rumor that they were in town," sophomore Tiffanie Slathar said.

For others, shopping offered the chance to spend some cash. "I love taking the train to Chicago for a day of shopping," sophomore Lisa Fehring said.

For those who liked having their own spending money, weekends offered the time for work to pay off. "I love working at Michaels Restaurant on the weekends. The hours are really good, the people are nice, and best—I always leave with cash from tips," senior Aron Krevitz said.

A major weekend concern for some students was attending religious services. Some chose Saturday evening ceremonies, while others waited until Sunday. "I like going to church because we have a youth group that plans social activities," freshman Richelle Keilman said.

Sunday afternoons often found loyal fans glued to their TV sets as they followed their favorite professional sports teams. "Sundays are lazy. I grab a big bowl of popcorn and lay back and watch a few pro football games," junior Bill Paz said.

Shopping, parties and football games filled students' weekends, but having fun became the main objective they set out to accomplish between 2:45 Friday afternoon and bedtime Sunday night.

Fill 'er up!
Preparing his Camaro for the winter season, senior Joe Bellovich adds antifreeze. Weekends provided needed time to catch up on car repairs and service.

Up and at 'em
To start his day, freshman Adam Rothschild relaxes in front of the T.V. to watch cartoons. "Richie-Rich" and "Dumbo" provided incentive to get sleepy students out of bed.

Let's go crazy
In preparation for the semi-state football game against Dekalb, students show their spirit in an attempt to rile up the players for the big event. Streamers, confetti, and lots of cheering were key items in motivating the team for their first semi-state game ever.

Whack
With a flick of the wrist, sophomore Saralie Herakovich returns her brother Adam's volley. Playing ping-pong with her brother proved to be just as much fun as playing with a friend.

Faculty fun!
Celebrating Mrs. Phyllis Braun's, guidance counselor, 50th birthday, other faculty members throw her a surprise party. Joining in on the fun is nurse Mary Auburn, Dr. John Preston, and guidance counselor's Marsha Weiss and Annette Wisniewski.

"Students just want to have fun . . . "

When books were put aside and responsibilities fulfilled, students let loose and had fun the only ways they knew how. "I have fun by getting crazy and having jello fights with my friends," senior John Stewart stated. Others found simpler ways to enjoy themselves. "I like to spend time with friends by going to movies or parties," junior Becky Selig said.

When the definition of fun was interpreted by students and teachers, resembling views were shared. "I think the definition of fun is escaping your responsibilities of school and work," senior Matt Dwenger said. "Fun is anything that's not work," agreed Social Studies teacher Mr. Ross Haller.

While students and teachers agreed on what was fun, their ways of having fun meant two different things. Junior Marybeth Agness stated, "My kind of fun is tepeeing someone's house." While Mr. Haller added, "I enjoy playing a good game of golf."

TIMES FUN

Jello fights, crazy nights

When the time came to stop having fun, students knew where to draw the line. "I stop having fun when people start getting hurt," junior Joe Knight said. Freshman Linette Glendening stated, "The fun stops when it gets in the way of getting important things done.

But when time flew by and the fun had ended, students realized they couldn't enjoy themselves forever. The time had come for students to get back to the books.

Stumped
While contemplating an answer, sophomore Jenine Berkowitz tries to figure out a sports trivia question in Trivial Pursuit. Sophomore Cara Felin patiently awaits her turn hoping for a chance to give the right response.

Subtle spirit week,
pumped-up pep rally,
all-night float leaves 'em

RESTLESS AND WILD

During halftime at the game, I felt unbelievable excitement and anxiety . . . I couldn't help but cry
senior Julie Blaine

Float or no float? That was the question. As Homecoming approached, many students wondered whether the "Wonderful World of Jim Henson" would come alive. Classes tried to limit costs to under $400 in order to save money. "We wanted to save our money for a good Prom, so we didn't want to spend as much as we did last year," said Kristen Siebecker, Junior Class president.

Studying and sleeping seemed unimportant as students spent their time fluffing flowers and building the body of the float. "During the last couple of days of float, my homework and study habits went down the drain and were replaced by flower making," senior Adam Ochstein said.

As the final week arrived, students dressed for Spirit Week in costumes ranging from Hawaiian surf shirts to Micky Mouse sweatshirts. Spirit Week reached its peak with Red and White day. "Everybody got really fired up for the football team and was raring and ready to go," sophomore Gina Wlazik said.

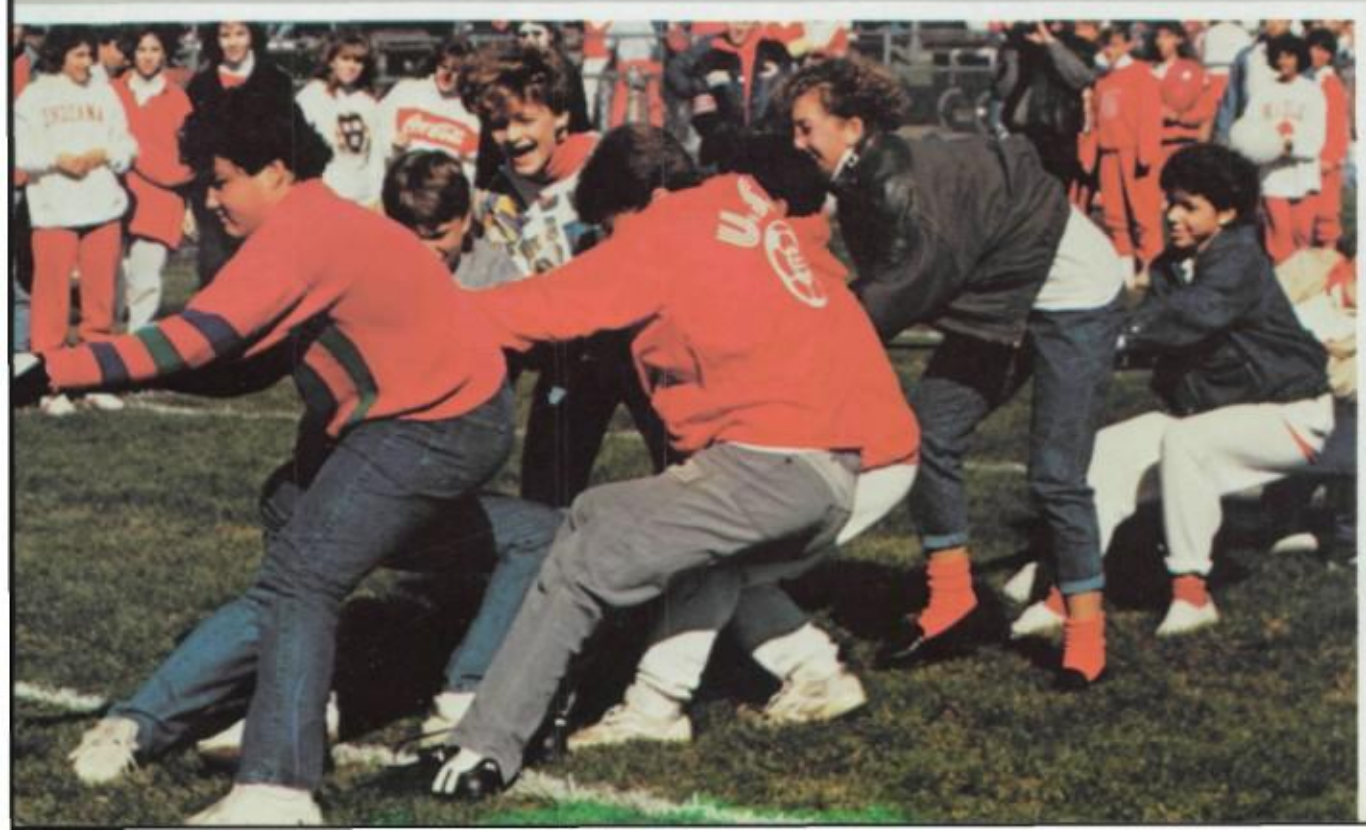
The final day arrived with cold but sunny skies. Weary-eyed students entered the football field, tired but excited as each class got ready to battle it out for the Spirit Award. Students cheered their teams on as the classes competed in the three-legged race, leap frog, and wheelbarrow medley. While the medley teams raced, participants in the annual tug-o-war got ready to show their stuff. As the whistle blew, the freshmen and sophomore teams fought it out, with the shopomores coming out ahead. The Junior Class gave it all their might, but came out on the short end. Tension grew as the two winning teams took hold of the rope. At the sound of the whistle, both teams pulled as the expression on their faces grew serious. With their last inch of force, the seniors defeated the sophomores. "Last year I lost to my little brother so I got a chance to avenge my own defeat," senior Mike Autry said.

As the races came to a close, Dan Porter football team tri-captain, approached the microphone with a few words of enthusiasm. He jokingly pulled out his "speech" which was three feet long, and started to recite it when he crumpled it up and threw it at the crowd. "Last year I

Super soph's
In order to boost their teams morale, the sophomores display a bright and bold banner to show their confidence to win the medley relay. The sophomores went on to win the Spirit Award due to their loud cheering and screaming.

Senior pride
In the last minutes of preparation, senior Jonathan Sherman perfectly places "Oscar's" club.

Last but not least
Moments before the parade, the juniors anticipate the long ride ahead of them. Fozzie Bear beared down by placing third in the float competition.



Winner takes all
Proudly displaying their prize winning float "Cookie Monster," the Sophomore Class expresses their excitement by arousing the crowd.

On the field of battle
Giving it all they have got, the sophomores and freshman battle it out in the tug-o-war. The sophomores claimed the victory, but went on to lose to the seniors.

RESTLESS cont.

stood back and listened to the captains at that time stumble through their speech," Dan explained. "I thought if I ever had to give a pregame speech to the student body, I would make it interesting." When the pep rally was over, students rushed from the football field to put the finishing touches on their floats before they were judged at the parade. "Our float never really turns out the way we want it to, but it's really a fun tradition," said junior Sue Anaszewicz. As the floats arrived at the Christian Reformed Church at 1:30 p.m., registered cars waited to be given a number to fit in sequence with the rest of the vehicles.

After the parade, the floats were left in front of the school. The sophomores' Cookie Monster, the juniors' Fozzie Bear, and the seniors' Oscar the Grouch became part of the decor for the Speech and Debate Teams' Annual Chicken Barbecue. The team members began cooking the 1250 chicken halves at 12:30 p.m. The dinner was served from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. giving fans a chance to relax before the game. Profits from the dinner paid transportation and tournament expenses.

As 7:30 p.m. rolled around, the fans grew eager as they witnessed the Calumet Warriors trample onto the field for the big event. But these fans became concerned when the halftime score read 16-6 Calumet.

With all eyes focused on the field, the Marching Band, Flag Corps, and Drill Team started the halftime entertainment. The Homecoming court, which followed the band performance included freshman Erica Boehm with freshman escort Rogan Beckman; sophomore Tammy Hollis escorted by junior Tom Boyden; and junior Jennifer Paulson with senior escort Tim Brodersen. Julie Blaine with senior escort Bill Durham; Sheri Fefferman with senior Pat Rau, and Eve Karras with alumnus Bob Kish comprised the senior princesses.

The class princesses strolled across the field to await the announcement of queen, Spirit Award, and float. "During halftime at the game, I felt unbelievable excitement and

Business before pleasure
As her eyes focus on the construction, senior Kerry Deignan continues to tie flowers onto the skirts. Students sometimes had to perform two tasks at the same time in order to accomplish their goal.

Added effort
Tying a flower onto the chicken wire, sophomore Kevin Mybeck shows class spirit. Due to their hard work, sophomores ended up winning the float competition.

A cut above the rest
With scissors in hand, senior Don Mikrut cuts a piece of chicken wire. After the chicken wire was put into place, flowers were added to decorate the float.

Chips ahoy
As he completes the final touches of the float, sophomore Bob Molnar examines "The Cookie Monster" to make sure everything is in tact. The cookies added one of the many effects that was needed to win the float competition.

Duty calls
Carefully placing a flower through the chicken wire, sophomore Erica Mowitz completes her responsibility of finishing the skirt on the float. Much time and effort went into perfecting the final product of Fozzie Bear.

RESTLESS cont.

anxiety. The intensity increased even more when they announced our names and we had to walk across the football field." stated newly crowned Homecoming Queen. "I couldn't help but cry."

While the court took their seats, Student Body President, Blase Polite announced the winning float to the "Class of 19 . . . 89." The sophomores also captured the Spirit Award, while the seniors consoled one another as they faced the fact that they never had won a float. As the game came to a close, ecstatic fans cheered as the Mustangs pulled from behind with a victorious 23-16 win.

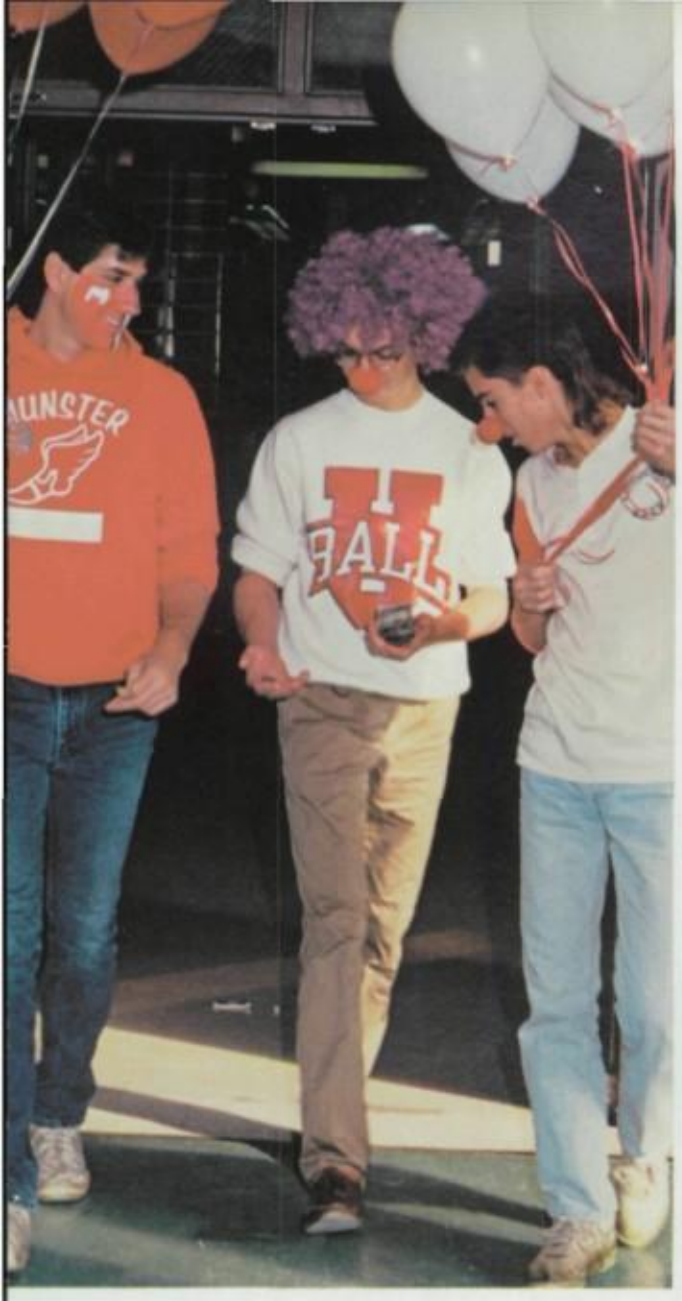
The fun and festivities continued Saturday night as students arrived at the dance, ready to boogie down. As students sauntered through the doorway, Kermit the Frog and colorful streamer decorations provided by the freshmen greeted the couples.

As students raced against time to find dates, create decorations, and finish floats, Jim Henson's Muppet world came alive. Doubts and speculations wouldn't shadow their fun.

A helpful hand
With the point of a finger, Mr. Bill Friend assists juniors Pablo Bukata and John Jimenez as they prepare the Speech and Debate Chicken Barbecue Dinner. The annual dinner raises money for the Speech and Debate members' traveling expenses.

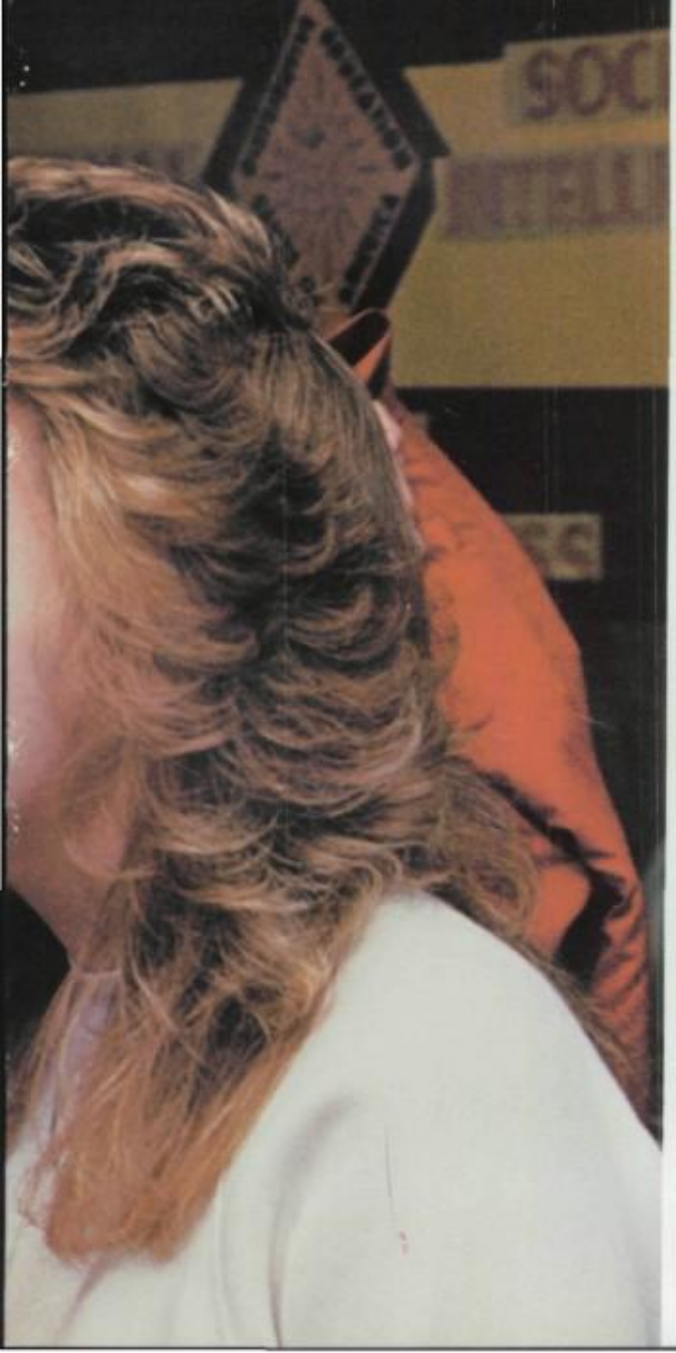
Add it up!
Figuring out their profits from the DECA balloon sale, junior Jamie Williamson, senior Rich Wojcikowski, and junior John Whited make sure everything is in tact. Money was no object.

Clowning around
Under the watchful eyes of DECA member Cassie Fortner, junior who's already received her newly painted look, Michelle Connor, junior gets the careful attention of temporary make-up artist, senior Kim Falusi. Illustrated faces and clown costumes promotes the festive Homecoming spirit with balloon sales.



The buddy system
In hot pursuit of victory, seniors Randy Gluth and Tom Arcella make their way to the finish line. Their team work proved to lack speed as they trailed the other classes.

Ole!
With their arms locked tight, seniors Scott Tobias and Greg Adams dance to the music. Snapping their fingers was one way to keep the beat.



Moral support
Eagerly awaiting the Queen announcement, court members include freshman princess Erica Boehm with Freshman escort Rogan Beckman, junior princess Jennifer Paulson with senior escort Tim Brodersen, senior princesses included Julie Blaine with escort senior Bill Durham, Eve Karras with alumni Bob Kish, and Sheri Fefferman with escort senior Pat Rau, and sophomore princess Tammy Hollis with escort junior Tom Boyden. Julie later went on to be crowned queen.

Blaring walkmans, Battling Bands, fined-tuned instruments entertain

MUSICAL YOUTH

"Helps you to get away from the everyday routine. Also you can shut out your teachers."
Fred Marshal

"Bye, bye Miss American Pie, drove my Chevy to the levy, but the levy was dry. And some good old boys were drinking whiskey and rye, singing this'll be the day that I die". "American Pie" Don Mclean's song tries to explain the importance of music in our society.

This importance preoccupied students. "Music is good, clean American fun and without it, a big part of the American way of life is missing," said senior Rob Lesko.

Music styles ranged from heavy metal to country. Students' appreciation of music varied from one extreme to another. "In heavy metal music, the musicians are talented and the music is complex and the power in the music makes me feel good," senior Brian Phillips said.

"I enjoy country music because the lyrics tell a story. It's a good change from the typical Top 40 songs," stated sophomore Richie Myer.

The second Annual Battle of the Bands offered students a wide variety of music, emphasizing the American way of life. "Student Government sponsored Battle of the Bands because we felt as though we had a large amount of musical talent in the school, and it was a good chance to let their talent shine," said senior Carolyn Pajor, Student Government Secretary/treasurer.

Battle of the Bands resulted in a first place victory and $100 for Uniform of Youth; second place winners Daddy Oak and the Squirrel Monkeys received $75; and Big Lunch Box finished in third place and won $50. "When it was announced that we won, I felt like I wanted to cry. It was one of the few things I wanted to accomplish in high school and I did," sophomore Dejan Kralj bass guitarist for Uniform of Youth, said.

While other students performed in public, some students played in front of instructors in order to refine their musical abilities and techniques.

Music was a popular pasttime whether students played, listened or practiced it. It was an American tradition that musical enthusiasts took pride in as well as carried on in the only way they knew how.

Tuned In
To help get in the creative mood, freshman Eric Roseen listens to a programmed song on his keyboard while sketching in art class.

A change of pace
In order to kick back and relax from hours of studying, senior Jeff Kobe puts his favorite tape, "No Jacket Required" by Phil Collins, into his jam box. Music helped to lessen the homework pressures.

Mystical moments
In the shadow of darkness, senior Aron Krevitz emerges through the fog while performing in the Battle of the Bands. Aron played guitar in the band Uniform of Youth, who took a $100 first prize, in the competition.

Let your fingers do the walking
Getting a helping hand, freshman Becky Sims receives instructions from Mrs. Donna Rivich, private music teacher, on her finger placement. Like many others, Becky sought outside tutoring to enhance her talent.

SPINNING
the dial

It became almost habit-forming. Wake up in the morning to the comforting sounds of a familiar dee-jay, relaying trivial tidbits of information and wisdom to his sleepy-eyed audience. Surveyed students indicated their choices for their favorite early-morning pick-me-up. Z-95 took the top spot as the hottest radio station in the city, mixing music and comedy from the Barsky morning zoo to cater to its diverse listeners. Following closely, WCKG finished second in the voting. Ignoring the comedy/music mix of its competitors. Finally, taking third place, WRXR provided a Motown mixture of the golden oldies and the swinging singles of the '60's. Whatever your favorite, Chicagoland radio had more than enough choices on the FM dial.

Customs, vacations, exchanging gifts—
more than one way to celebrate

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

"I dressed for the Crier Halloween party because I wanted to win—even if the prize was only a bag of potato chips."

senior Nicole Rittenmeyer

As the unsuspecting student woke up from her summer slumber, she checked her calendar to find that it was Labor Day not exactly one of her favorite holidays. "Oh no," she groaned, "tomorrow school will start the beginning of 176 days of hard labor!"

While many students reacted this way to the end of summer, some found other holidays more enjoyable. "I like the Fourth of July because it's in the summer and it's a big celebration. It is like one big party the whole day," explained sophomore Sonali Balajee.

Students who wanted to give their sweethearts a special gift like Sweetest Day best. "I sent my boyfriend a Sweetest Day carnation because I wanted him to know I was thinking about him," stated senior Michelle Moore.

Winter break not only represented Christmas and Hanukkah, but it also offered students a two week vacation to do whatever they wanted to without worrying about the 7:45 a.m. bell, homework, or listening to a lecture. "I went to Acapulco over Christmas break. It was great, because I enjoyed scuba diving, going to the beach, and shopping without having to think about school," stated sophomore Grace Cha.

Long awaited spring vacation gave students a needed break half way through second semester. While some students headed West for a ski trip, others, including Project Biology students, headed South to Florida. "I was really excited about going to Florida over spring break because I was looking forward to it all year. It made having to wake up an hour earlier everyday worth the effort," said senior Yoko Nakamura.

Whatever the holiday students found different ways to enjoy themselves. However, all agreed the best holiday of all was June 5—the first day of summer vacation.

Holiday cheer
Under the direction of Mr. Richard Holmberg, senior concert choir entertains the audience at the annual Holiday concert.

Red . . . blue . . . green
Dipping an egg into the Paas Easter egg dye, Barbie Foreit helps her big sophomore brother Chris make a brilliant green egg.

The finishing touch
On her tiptoes, Susan Higgins, junior, reaches as high as she can to put the finishing touches on the Christmas tree.

Just for you
Whether Sweetest Day or Valentine's Day, carnations proved to be a thoughtful way for students to tell their friends, boyfriends, or girlfriends how much they were appreciated. Drill Team member Raquel Matthews, senior, passes out a carnation to senior Russ Brackett.

A candle a day
In celebration of Hanukkah, junior Tracy Silverman lights a candle on the first of the holiday's eight days. Hanukkah, a festival of lights, symbolizes the faith of the Jewish people.

LIGHTS

"All the world's a stage," wrote William Shakespeare. Students found that this world expanded further than just the stage at Munster. Students turned to community plays, summer theaters, and even cable television to develop their talents and to gain experience.

Stiff competition, participants ranging from high school students to adults with families, as well as a variety of people in the audience were characteristics that differentiated school plays from community plays. For senior Andy Sherman the disadvantages often turned into advantages. "I want to be a professional actor," confessed Andy, "and community plays provide more competition than school plays. At school you try out for a character that's 20 years old against 16 and 17 year olds, but in outside plays you're up against 20 year olds that are really good. When you do get a part it means a lot more."

Main Square Players, Highland Parks and Ross Summer Music Theatre were just a few organized programs that provided students with an outlet for their acting dreams. "Because the casts aren't always big at school, community plays give you a chance to be in more plays, if not always in a big part," admitted junior Susan Higgins. "More plays mean more experience."

By land or by sea

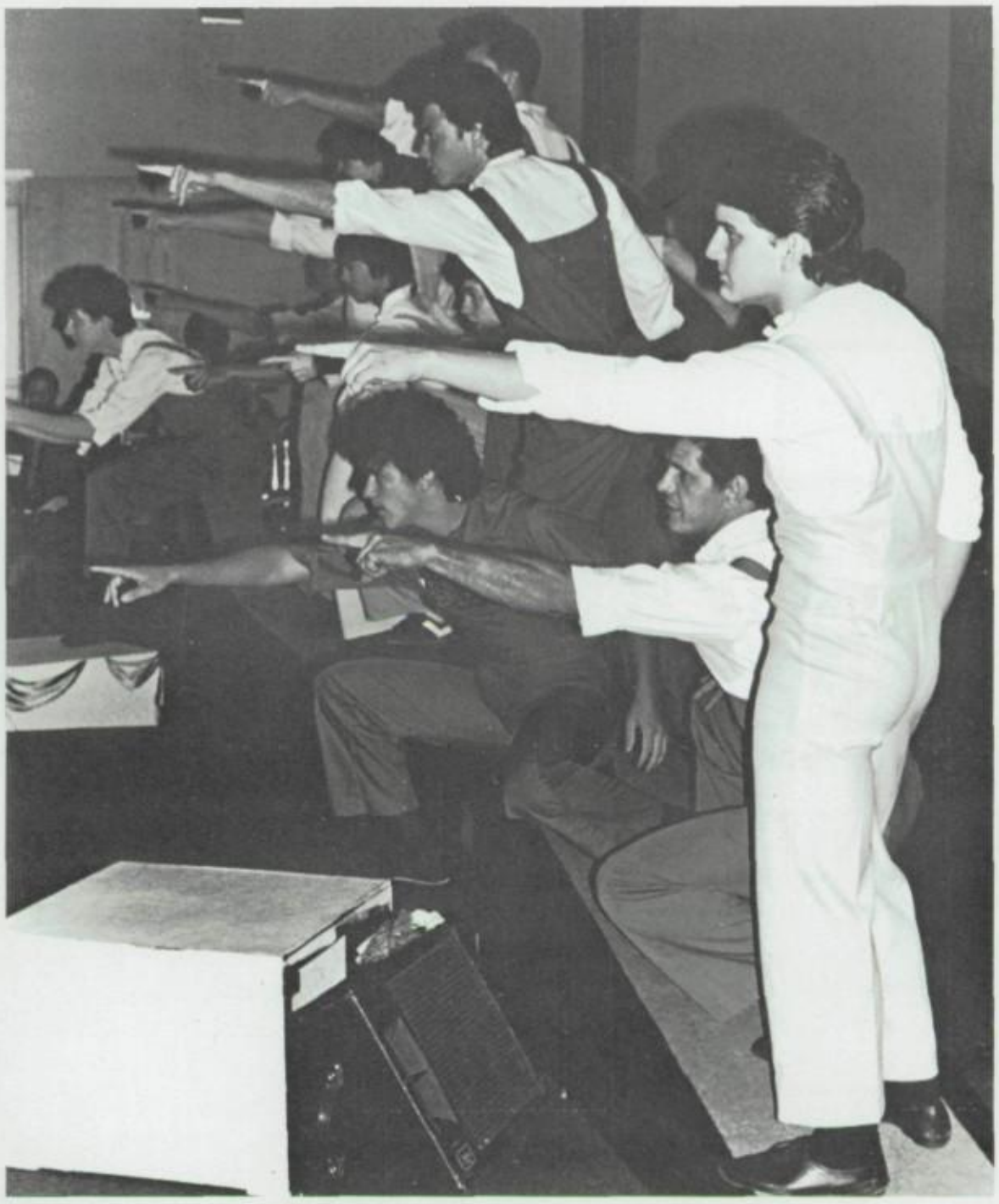
BRIGHT

Community plays provided only one outlet for students to vent their talents. Cable television gave similar opportunities to some individuals as well, such as junior Pablo Bukata and "Buddah Buddies" and senior Chris Gloff. Chris was asked to be the host of Channel 3's "Northwest Indiana Theatre and Fine Arts." "I'm hoping this could lead to a lucky break," stated Chris.

Students expanded their theatrical experience through community performances, they learned their own theatrical battlecry: "There's no business like show business."

Captured
In a desperate attempt for help Chris Gloff (Joseph), senior looks to heaven for advice after being captured and thrown into jail. "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" was one of many plays offered to teens who wanted to get involved in the community.

Point me to the top
Pointing the way, senior Blase polite and junior Brian Zemaitis lead the way during a performance of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." Trying to stay in unison was crucial for a successful community play.



Ships ahoy!
The cast of "Pirates of Penzance" and senior Chris Gloff re-enact Gilbert and Sullivan's musical. Audience participation merits the play as one of the community's favorites.

Pick a color
While applying her make-up, senior Rosanne Trippel talks to senior Missy Johnson about her upcoming scene. Casual conversation helped ease the tension of the opening scenes.

Tonight's homework is . . .
Intently practicing her role as an English teacher, senior Rhonda Pool gives an assignment to her "class." Rhonda's role called for her to put up with some roomfuls of talented students.

"Fame . . . Remember my name!"
Flanked by juniors Cindy Michel, Heather Swan, and sophomore Saralee Herakovich, Susan Higgins, junior, sings the theme song to the play "Fame." Susan played the character "Coco" for all six nights that the play was shown.

Street-wise kids looking for a big break, performing arts students strut

THE RIGHT STUFF

"Most high schools have the same plays over and over. With Gregg Ladd at the helm, we will never have an ordinary play."
Kris Siebecker, junior

"Fame, I'm gonna live forever . . ." sang the enthusiastic high school students as they danced across the stage.

No, it wasn't the opening to the television show on Channel 9. The music came from the auditorium as Theatre Munster opened its fall play, "Fame."

The plot focused on students who attended a high school for the Performing Arts in New York City, with five major characters taking center stage. Coco, junior Susan Higgins, stopped at nothing to get as far as she could as a dancer and singer. Senior Chris Gloff played the role of Bruno, a musician, who respected his classical music teacher, but modern music interested him more. Having been controlled by her mother all of her life, Doris, played by seniors Kerry Deignan and Rhonda Pool, finally became her own person as she progressed as an actress. Leroy, a dancer portrayed by junior Brian Zemaitis, had problems in school and with his teacher because he could not read. Andy Sherman and Blase Polite shared the role of Ralph, who wanted to follow in the footsteps of Freddy Prinze as a comedian.

"Fame" differed from past high school plays. "This was not a typical high school production. Most high schools have the same plays over and over. With Gregg Ladd at the helm, we will never have an ordinary play," said junior Kris Siebecker, who portrayed Mrs. Sherwood, an English teacher.

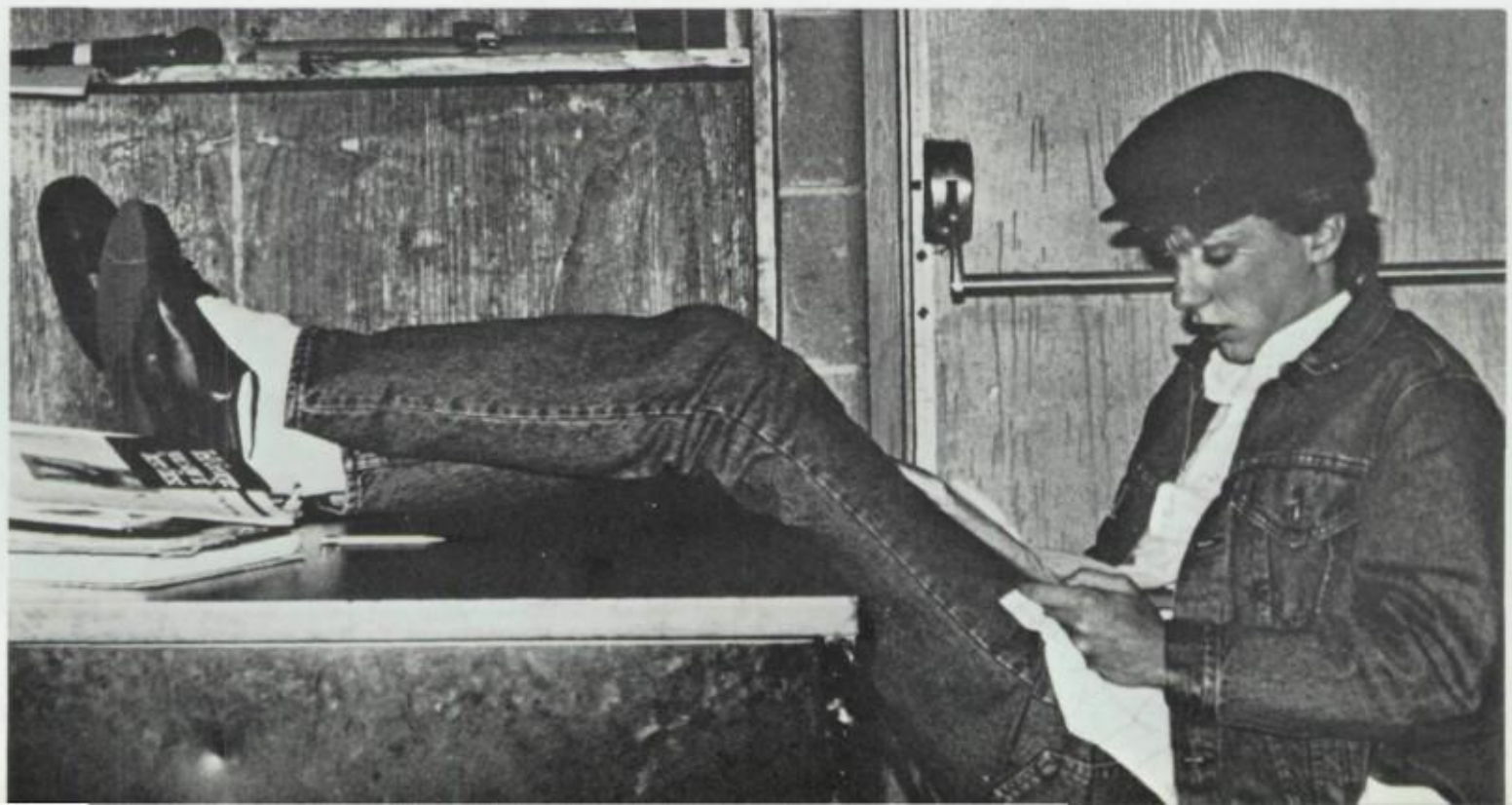
One advantage to this play was that it gave more students a chance to get involved. "I looked for a play with a large cast show, and one that would incorporate different elements of drama, dance, and music," explained Mr. Gregg Ladd, drama teacher, who directed the play.

"Because the Fame supporting cast was so big, we didn't get to know everyone as well as we could have," senior Kerry Deignan, who played Doris, said.

Although some cast members griped that there wasn't enough practice time, "Fame" went on as scheduled, playing two weekends in November, and throughout the auditorium, the theme song boomed through the air . . . "Baby, remember my name!"

Time out to study

Using the last minutes before the curtain opens, sophomore David Beiriger studies in order to get his homework done. Memorizing lines and attending play rehearsals took a lot of time out of doing homework for cast members.



Living on the lighted stage,
two short productions make for

DOUBLE PLAY

"I think that we could have used more practice time to polish up some of the flaws in the plays."
sophomore Brenda Van Orman

"Killing two birds with one stone" seemed to be the philosophy of Theatre Munster when they put on two different productions for the spring play. Instead of having to change the scenery every night, the stage stayed the same for both plays. Except for some students appearing in both productions, the stage was about the only thing that remained the same. Each play remained completely separate from the other. Mr. Gregg Ladd, drama teacher, decided to put on two plays "for something different."

On one hand, the comedy "The Man Who Came to Dinner" dealt with Sheridan Whiteside, a famous author, played by senior Chris Gloff, who was staying at the Stanley house.

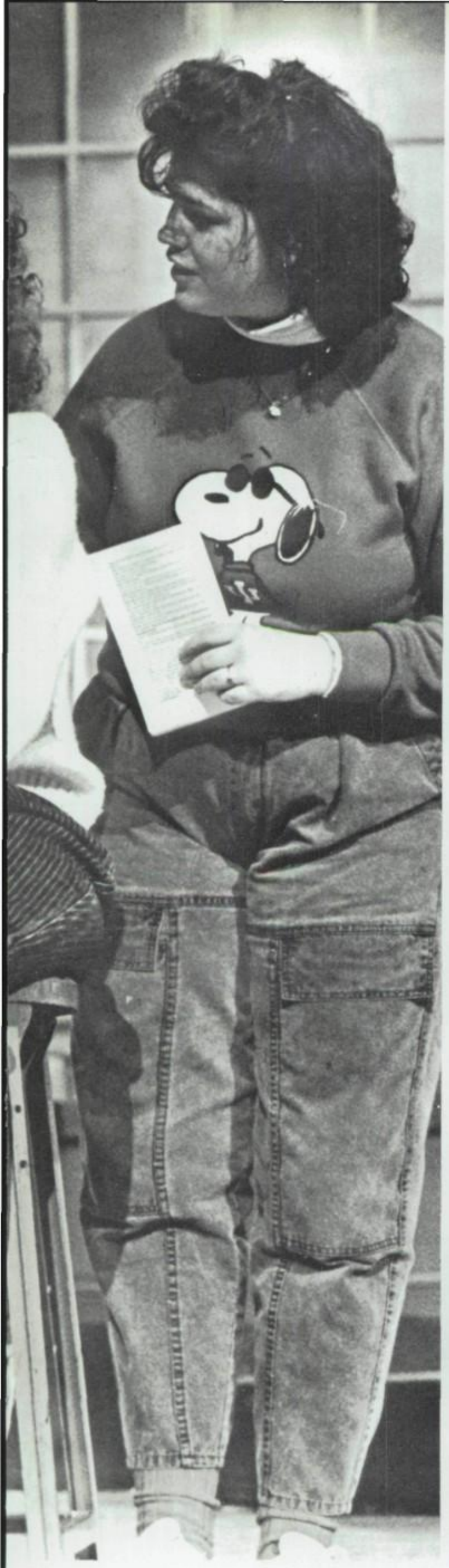
On the other hand, "The Curious Savage," also a comedy, revolved around the story of Mrs. Savage, played by senior Rosanne Trippel, and her kids. Mrs. Savage had an abundant amount of hidden money which her kids were trying to take away from her.

For many students, having to do two plays was not an easy task. Junior Kris Siebecker, who was involved in both plays, stated, "We have never had two plays at once before—that was unusual. It was different and much harder. The time was limited, so we knew we would have to work hard to pull it off." Several people involved with the plays felt that even though it was Basketball Sectionals week, more people should have come to see the plays. "The audience turnout was terrible. The students have a pseudo sense of what is entertainment," Mr. Ladd stated.

Sharing the same view, junior Terry Kish, who portrayed Beverly Carlton in "The Man Who Came to Dinner" added, "Granted the fact that we had the plays during Sectionals, there were three other dates."

Although the students were unfamiliar with the task of putting on two plays at once, they managed to pull through and give four performances to the best of their abilities.

Listen up
Before they begin dress rehearsal for "The Man Who Came to Dinner," the cast members listen to Mr. Gregg Ladd, drama teacher, go over some last minute details. Pep talks helped to boost the students' confidence.



Extra hours, extra work
In order to make sure the plays went smoothly, the students spent long hours at rehearsals. Trying to comfort Mrs. Paddy, played by senior Ellen Fromm, Mrs. Savage, played by senior Rosanne Trippel, encourages her to open up and talk to people.

Oh my goodness!
Thrilled to see her name in a national magazine, Mrs. Stanley, played by senior Kerry Diegnan, delightedly looks over the magazine while Mrs. Dexter and Mrs. McCoutcheon, portrayed by sophomores Gina Nicosia and Karen Kunkel, share in her enjoyment. Trying to stay in character was one of the most difficult tasks for many of the students to accomplish.

Easy does it
Constant practice such as rehearsals and going over lines helped the students to perfect their roles. Expressing his discontentment, Sheridan Whiteside, played by senior Chris Gloff, reluctantly sits in the wheelchair as Nurse Preen, played by junior Barb Helms, and Dr. Bradley, played by sophomore Bob Molnar, check to see that he is comfortable.

Tie it up
Getting ready before the curtain for "The Curious Savage" opens, senior Andy Sherman helps junior Jeff Strater with his tie. The tension backstage was usually high in the final minutes before the play began.

Four days of non-stop music,
plus double-cast lead roles make for

FUN-FILLED WEEKEND

. . . the performances were "outstanding. The musical was filled with exceptional acting. It was the best I had seen here in years."

Mr. Richard Holmberg

"To dream the impossible dream . . . " sang Don Quixote as he stood in the courtyard of a mighty castle. "The impossible dream" was not so impossible anymore as the spring musical "Man of La Mancha" opened on April 30 and ran through May 3. The musical, touted as "the finest performance by students here in years," contained elaborate costumes, well-developed scenery, and talented acting.

"Man of La Mancha" told about a man named Cervantes, played by seniors Blase Polite and Andy Sherman, who was put into jail. Upon searching his chest full of belongings, his fellow inmates found a play that Cervantes had written, called "Don Quixote." Cervantes took the inmates into his imagination and acted out the play, playing the part of Quixote. At the end, Quixote died because he could not face reality. However, the prisoners did not like that ending, and Don Quixote then died due to his old age.

According to Richard Holmberg, music teacher, the performances were "outstanding. The musical was filled with exceptional acting. It was the best I had seen here in years," he said.

Thinking of him

As they ponder the well-being of Don Quixote, Antonia, played by junior Barb Helms, and the Housekeeper, portrayed by senior Rosanne Trippel, sing "I'm Only Thinking of Him" while confessing to Padre, the priest, played by junior John Guerra. Although expressing concern for Quixote, Antonia and the Housekeeper were really interested in his money and only thinking of themselves.

Expressing a similar viewpoint senior Rhonda Pool, who played the part of Aldonza, explained, "It was a difficult musical for a high school level to perform, and I felt that we pulled it off well."

Apparently, Mr. Holmberg had hoped for a larger audience turnout. "I felt that we could have received more support that we did. However, opening night proved to be a success. It was a fine performance," he added.

The cast, which included 32 people, contained such a diverse demographic of students that one would think conflicts would arise. However, they managed to work well together. "There was such a mixture of people—the athletes, the smart people, the drama people, and even the average "Joe" students. But we had a lot of fun because everyone got along so well, and most of us were willing to spend long hours practicing," said junior Cally Raduenzel, who played the role of Maria.

As the "impossible dream" came to a close, crowd, cast and crew alike came to realize that "Man of La Mancha", was indeed the "finest musical in years." With such a mixture of singing, dancing and acting, the production would have made even Cervantes proud.

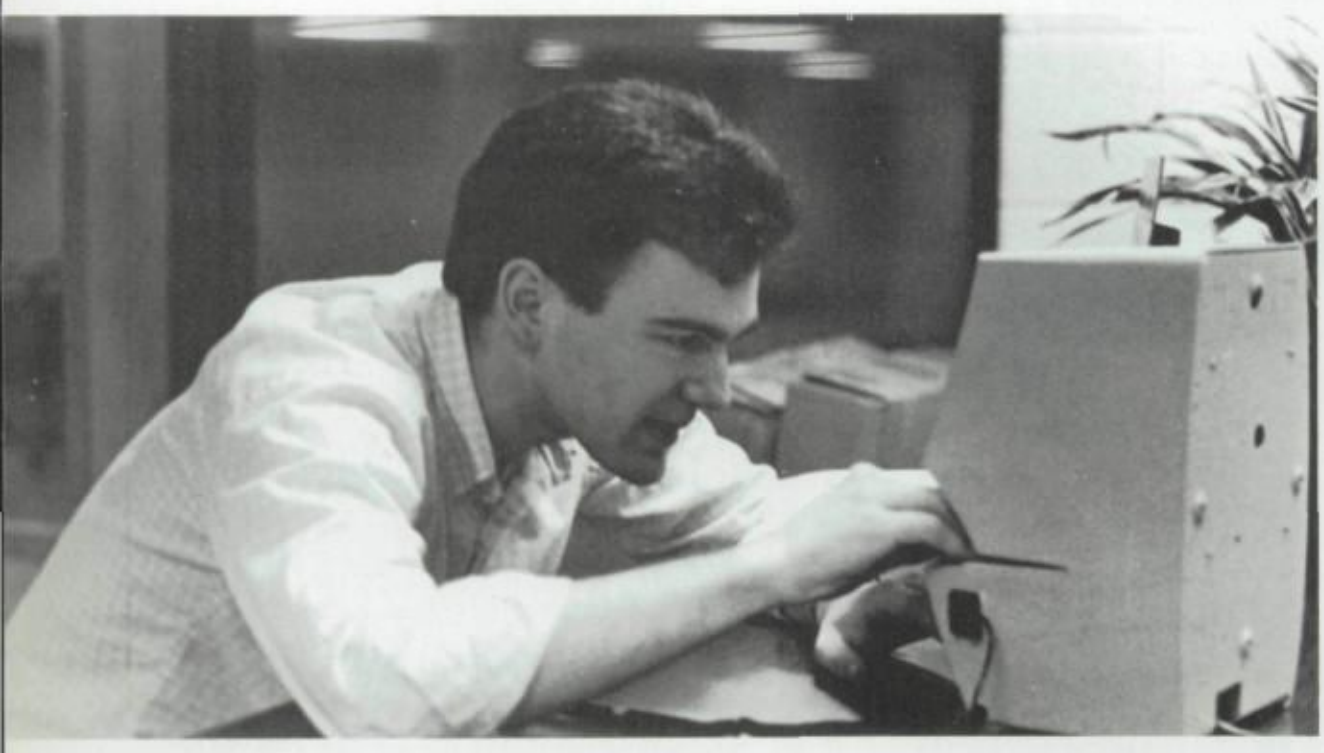
Touché

In order to obtain the "golden helmet," Don Quixote, played by senior Blase Polite, aims for a barber holding his shaving basin. Quixote had mistaken the barber's shaving basin as the golden helmet for which he had been searching.

Just try it
Mocking Don Quixote's true love, Aldonza, played by senior Rhonda Pool, the muleteers, portrayed by seniors Adam Tavitas and Tom Muntean and juniors Tom Johns and Scott Brakebill, sing "Little Bird, Little Bird" while Aldonza looks on with a grimace. Although Don Quixote could only see the good side of Aldonza, everyone also knew she had the worst reputation in town.

Picture perfect
Carefully scrutinizing her makeup, junior Cally Raduenzel starts her preparations for the upcoming show. Careful attention to detail, such as authentic costumes and elaborate scenery, helped the audience absorb the plot.

Beat the clock
Upon his arrival to school, senior John Stewart stays in tune with school policy as he punches in on the time clock. Students sometimes found this practice more frustrating than useful.



Tight squeeze
As her frustration builds, freshman Sarah Kosenka stuffs her gym bag in her locker. Squeezing coats, clothes for after school practice, and numerous books into a 5 1/2" locker often made students slightly perturbed and late to class.

Total chaos
Waiting for their class ranks, juniors Tila Pitkanen and Matt Sobolewski and sophomore Renee Meyers gather in the Guidance Office. Students often flocked to the office not only for ranks but scheduling and personal problems as well.

BORES AND CHORES

"Everybody does it. It's inevitable." Ranging from sampling the school's tacos to a confrontation with a guidance counselor, students found themselves sharing common chores and bores that a school year demanded.

Students found it impossible to avoid their dreaded guidance appointments. "No matter how hard I try to remember, I forget my appointment at least once before I actually go," said junior Cindy Pearson.

For those students who arrived late or left early, the time clock in the office proved to be a pain. "It's so frustrating because when I punch in the time it never goes on the right blank," said freshman Bill Gibbs.

Though students found the cafeteria to be a welcomed rest from classes, for some it was not the food they sought.

It's not an option

"It's really weird how some of the food can look so good but taste so bad," stated junior Chris Smith.

Unfortunately, locker problems were bound to happen to every student at one time or another. The 5½ inch wide lockers posed problems for students. "I spend five minutes wedging my gym bag for practice into my locker and then it gets stuck on the hook. It is so frustrating," said freshman Amy Orr.

With a necessity to wash hands or fix hair, students flocked to the bathrooms before school and during the passing periods. "I went to the bathroom once," said sophomore Amy Hulett, "and I'll never go back. It was packed wall to wall with girls putting on make-up and fixing their hair. You couldn't even move."

Whether it was inevitable or not, students found themselves caught up in crowded halls and bathrooms, stuffing lockers to the limit and fiddling over a sometimes useless time clock. They had to do it. It wasn't an option.

Who is that masked man?
A change from the usual informal dances, Mardi Gras gave students the opportunity to come in costume and show their creativity. Senior Dennis Gifford and junior Pablo Bukata dance the night as Batman and a Munster baseball player.

What's Going on?
Joined together to discuss their post dance plans, sophomores Susie Beckman, Nicole Rusnak and Nancy Gozdecki and junior Chris Smith take a break from dancing. Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) sponsored a dance to make students more aware of their organization and their purpose.

Check it out
While dancing to the music of Uniform of Youth at the SADD dance, juniors Kristin Rittenmeyer, Amy Spejewski and Penny Opatera look around to see how the dance is going. Informal dances were a welcome choice to the monotonous weekend routine.

Time to themselves
Posing as Bonnie and Clyde, senior Dianna Holler and junior Ben Morey steal a moment to dance alone. All foreign language clubs sponsored a Mardi Gras dance to provide students with an alternative to the normal weekend festivities and to raise money.

MINI MIXERS

Although not prom, informal dances were a welcome alternative that students chose in order to break the monotony of the weekend "festivities".

"What are we going to do tonight?" was a question that popped into the minds of students during sixth hour on Friday. The answers ranged from going to the movies or even going out to dinner in Chicago. Sometimes though, classes or organizations, such as Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) provided informal dances for students to let loose and have a good time. The dances were held to raise money for the class or organization. The junior class had Sgt. Roxx play after a football game to raise money for the prom. "It was very effective in raising money, because a lot of kids came to see the band," said junior Mary Blaising. "I don't think it would have been as successful with a D.J. though."

In comparison to formal dances, there were other reasons why students liked the informal dances. "You don't have to get dressed up, and you can go out with friends without worrying about a date," added freshman Diana Adich.

Supporting a similar view, senior Brian Rudlof added, "Personally, I love to dance, and it is a lot easier and more fun when you're not all dressed up."

Foot loose and fancy free

Agreeing with this, junior Mark Roper joined in saying, "I like the informal dances better, because there are a lot less hassles, like making dinner reservations."

Although many students have fun at the informal dances, there was still something special for some about the formal and semi-formal dances. "I like the formal dances better, because they seem more meaningful. They are something you look forward to," said Mary.

When the lights go out and the music dies down, formal or informal, it's the fun that the students remember.

Boutonnieres, bouquets, bow ties, lead to enchanted nights full of

DAPPER DANCING

We worked a long time cutting out paper hearts and making names out of glitter. We were so tired, but it really did look great. It was worth the effort! senior Holly Harle

Finally, after weeks of anticipation the big night had arrived. Dresses had been selected and altered. Tuxedos for Prom and new blazer outfits for Turnabout were donned carefully. Awkwardly, corsages were pinned on and boutonieres rested neatly on lapels. After the mandatory pictures taken by mom and dad, the couple headed off to the high school. The night had definitely begun . . .

As music filled the air, tantalizing foods, such as pizza rolls and steaming nachos toyed with students tastebuds, and gleaming faces filled the cafeteria. The Annual Snowball Turnabout dance, sponsored by the cheerleaders was underway. With 245 couples dancing, Feb. 21 proved to be a night to remember.

Highlighting the evening was the announcement of king and queen. As the theme song, "The Only One," played, senior Brad Echterling and junior Rea Robinson took center stage as the royal couple.

Tickets for the snowball were unusual, they were silver keychains.

"Having a keychain to carry is more fun than a ticket, because it is something I'll have forever," freshman Julie Galvin explained.

Group pictures became an important part of the evening. "The whole dance was fun but one of the best parts is getting your friends together and doing something different for a group photo," explained junior Mary Baesing.

As 11 p.m. rolled around the cafeteria started to empty as the couples left with an evening of dancing, chatting, and eating behind them.

Footloose
While letting loose, senior Don Yang flips off his shoes for comfort. Students found it was easier to dance the night away without the confines of their Sunday best.

Romantics
As they sing along with the music, senior Tim Lusk and Sandi Oi can't take their eyes off each other. The song "That's what I like about You!" had students serenading each other.

Satisfaction guaranteed
Pleased with his purchase, junior Jerry Cabrera examined his bouquet from Bohling's Florist. Bouquets ranged from $12 to $35.

Swingin'
Boppin' to the music, senior Tony Hanas and freshman Erica Boehm enjoy each others company and a chance to be different. Dancing was the major part of the evening for most students.

Time out
To take a break from dancing, senior Robin Bogumil and date choose from the buffet. The bite size food, gave students an opportunity to refuel before hitting the dance floor again.

Fishing around
Attempting to catch the goldfish, seniors Gretchen Gardner and Jonathon Sherman find that fishing is difficult without a pole. CEC spent over $2000 and many long hours decorating the Commons.

Hand in hand
Round and round the Commons senior Harold Paz and freshman Julie Purnick enjoy the music of Joe Banana and the Bunch. Getting into the music senior Tina White models her newly acquired Prom '87 shades, the dance favor.

Kick up your heels
As he takes to the dance floor, senior Dave Galocly grooves to the prom theme song "That's What I Like About You," by the Romantics. Students conceded that dancing in the Commons was more fun than walking in it on their way to class.

Tying the knot
As he places his bow tie around sophomore Lisa Dregas' neck, senior Brian Rudloph deeply concentrates on the small clasp. Getting comfortable by tossing aside attire became common at the dances.

DAPPER DANCING cont.

Aloha! Walking into the front school entrance reminded promgoers of stepping into a junglebook. A little bridge welcomed 196 couples to cross over into the Hawaiian tropics, as palm trees, torches, and hanging monkeys delighted students eyes.

The Hawaiian theme clearly stood out on Saturday, May 16, from 6 to 12 p.m. in the Commons. "We worked so long on this theme, I think it couldn't have turned out better." said junior Class Executive Council (CEC) member Sue Anaszewicz.

White sunglasses for the gals and black for the guys provided unusual prom favors, with a palm tree and Prom '87 printed on the left lens. "We proposed many favor ideas, but the School Board turned many of them down, so we finally got sunglasses which went along with the Hawaiian theme," Junior Class President Kris Siebecker explained.

CEC made the best use of the commons possible, by putting in extra effort to decorate it like the jungle. "We were pleased with the turnout. Many parents and students showed up Friday night to help decorate the Commons," said Mr. Gloff junior class sponsor. Joe Banana and the Bunch, the band, went along with the Hawaiian theme. The monkeys hanging from the ceiling had a good time bobbing about to the bands tune. The students, like the monkeys, enjoyed the band, "The band was great," stated senior Jonathon Sherman.

To gain refreshment, students mosied over to one of the three straw huts, which were used as refreshment stands. The huts added a nice touch to the Commons," explained junior Chris Smith.

The main office was transformed into an aquarium, while the faculty and students who usually appear there were replaced by fish.

As dinner was served flaming shishkabobs were devoured, along with rice, macadamian nut sundaes and fruit cocktail.

The decorations were rented by CEC, from Pier One Imports. The lamps, Hawaiian fans, bamboo chute chairs, fish nets, shells and torches added a nice touch to the Hawaiian theme.

The '87 Prom was the first in five years to be held at the school, CEC worked long and hard to try to make it a success.

Little Grass Shack
Carefully attending their grass hut, Helene Nelson and Michelle Wambsganes, freshmen, joke with chaperone Mr. Siurek. Three huts in the Commons provided thirsty dancers with all types of pop.

Blistering temperatures,
induction to the real world
force grads to admit

THE HEAT IS ON

Well, we're the first class in eight years to never win float, but that's something!
Jeff Kobe, Salutatorian

Feeling the heat of the humid June day, 292 graduates, their friends and families all came together to honor the Class of '87, the 20th graduating class in the history of the school.

"It was so hot," recalled senior Morgan Noel. "Everytime I would try to look up, the sweat on my head would make my mortar board almost fall right off."

Agreeing with Morgan, senior Sam Maniotes joked, "It was so hot that I must have lost 20 pounds. I think I'm on to a new diet fad."

However, the stifling heat became secondary as the actual ceremony got under way. Presented by the Marine color guard, the colors of the United States were displayed at center stage while the band, under the direction of Mr. Andrew Norman, played the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance" and "Land of Hope and Glory" by Edward Elgar.

Next, Rev. Ronald Schimal, C.P.P.S. President, Calumet College of St. Joseph gave the Invocation, asking that the graduates have the wisdom to achieve and never stop setting and reaching goals. "Today, you the graduates have started your life as an adult. Don't allow yourself to be cast to the side," he urged.

Dr. John Preston, principal, then made the presentation of the Valedictorian to his class. At that moment, Giridhar Sekhar took the podium, expounding on diverse topics all related to being an adult. "No longer are our mistakes reflections of our parents. No longer can we hide behind their upbringing," he explained.

After Giri's short, but succinct speech, the Senior Concert Choir, under the direction of Mr. Richard Holmberg, sang two selections, including "Sanctus and the Hosana" from the requiem mass by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and "Memory," by Ed Lojeski.

Salutatorian Jeffrey Kobe was the next to offer words of wisdom to the graduates. However, his speech centered on the accomplishments and academic rigors of the entire class. "And then there's Government class," Jeff remarked. "It's always important to know the 15 steps to the law-making process, or the 64 most famous court cases in the history of the United States."

After short speeches by Superintendent Wallace Underwood and School Board President Mrs. Nancy Smallman, the magic moment had arrived and the diplomas were distributed. After an enormous roar erupted as Andrew Zeman received his red folder, Dr. Preston ordered the class to "move their tassles to the right," symbolizing the long awaited dream that many students kept for all four years.

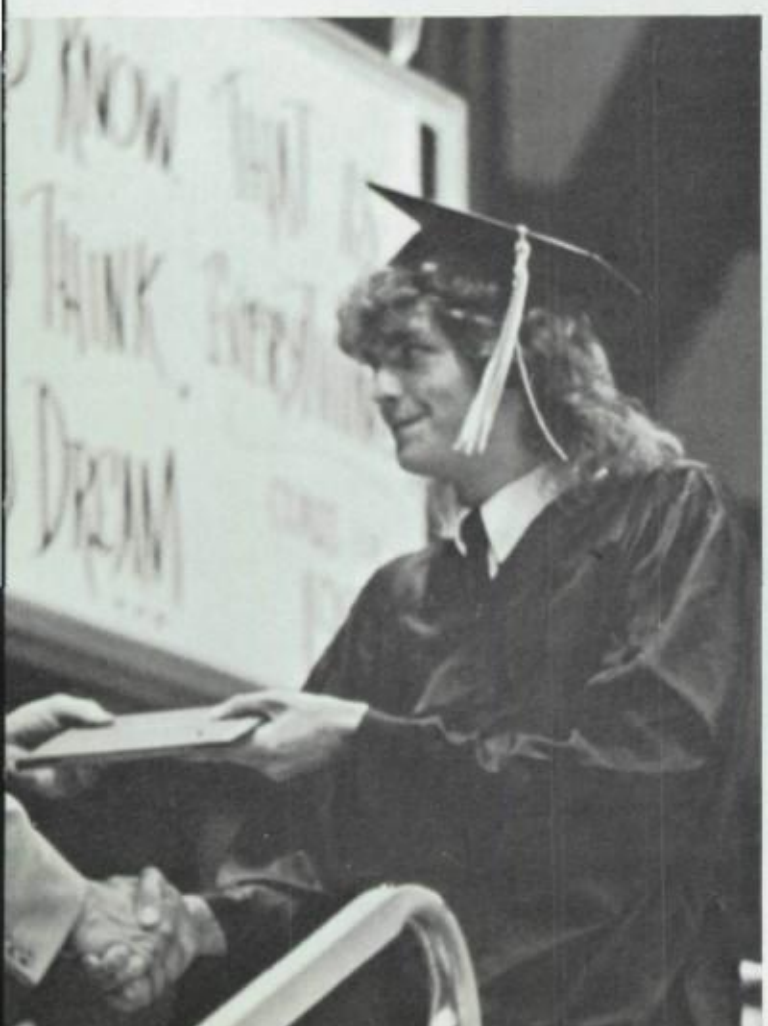
After a quick Benediction from Rev. William Rogers, Pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, the new Munster High School alumni filed out of the gym as a complete whole for the last time. "It's so sad," said Yoko Nakamura. "I'm going to miss so many people. I can't believe that it's over."

As heavy black gowns were turned in and senior group pictures were seized, it was evident to see that the hot yet grateful graduates were looking forward to summer. Some would join the work force, some would go to school . . . yet they, together, would all share the title, "Alumni."

Give and take
Fulfilling his duty as a School Board member, Mr. John Mybeck hands Todd Marchand his diploma. Todd took the liberty of adding "Je finis" to the top of his mortar board.

Signed, sealed, delivered
Proudly showing his signed diploma to his family in the bleachers, Randy Gluth flashes a quick smile. The first thing students did as they sat down was to look for key signatures to assure their graduation.

Bubble trouble
To loosen the tension and monotony of an hour and a half ceremony, Diana Holler adds some popping spirits to the air with her bubbles. Humorous pranks provided an outlet for pent up emotions.



Say cheese
As dad snaps away at one of more than a hundred photos to be taken during the day, Shelly Ingram and Michelle Wilson pose before the ceremony. Picture taking became an unavoidable task during such a traditional event.

Prime Time

Students debate Iranian arms deal as they develop a NOSE FOR NEWS

Politics is often defined as having political wisdom; however, students questioned President Reagan's wisdom for selling arms to Iran for the release of United States hostages.

Although the truth behind the arms deal remained clouded as top officials hid behind their Fifth Amendment rights, students had their own opinions. Many agreed with senior Adam Ochstein, who felt that the press overemphasized the whole event. "I think the press blew it way out of proportion," Adam expressed. "It's like the press wanted to create another Watergate."

This incident also placed doubt in people's minds about the honesty of the president and the government in general. "I don't think what happened was right. The arms deal was dishonest because the government is supposed to be setting examples for the rest of the country," added junior Cami Pack.

"It could cause us to not trust the government anymore if they continue to hide things from us.' '

Supporting a similar view, sophomore Dejan Kralj said, "I think Reagan was totally wrong. He's a hypocrite, because he's always talking about doing things for the better of the country. By filtering the money to the Contras, I feel he went against his own word."

On a more positive note, Adam stated, "I don't see anything wrong with what went on. If the arms deal remained top secret it would have been an excellent agreement."

The government, the public and the press will continue to offer opposing views. Who was right will remain a debatable issue.

SADD provokes student ATTENTION

Ad campaigns like "SAY NO! to Drugs" and "Don't drive drunk" inspired the public to look deeper into the problems of drugs and alcohol abuse. One such organization, Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD), made students aware of the consequences of drinking and driving.

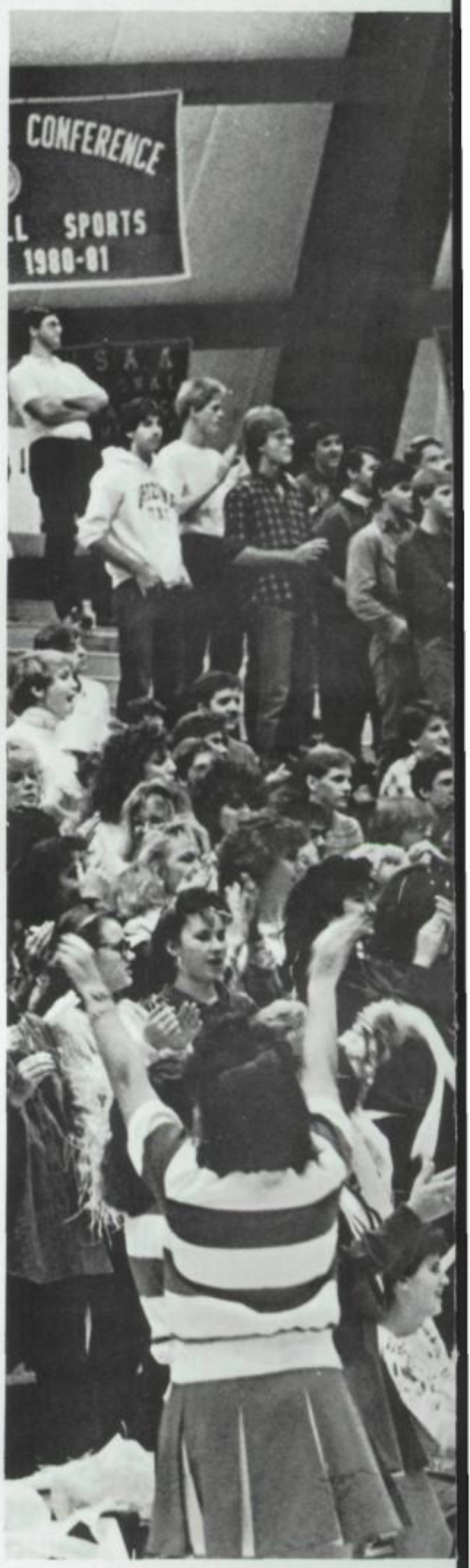
SADD proved successful in informing the students of the dangers of drinking and driving. One measure taken by SADD involved the placement of posters throughout the school depicting victims of drunk driving accidents. "They were disgusting!" exclaimed senior Barb Payne. " It made me realize that the victims of these accidents don't always die, and the ones that survive might be maimed."

Community answers call VOTE YES

Reduced class size, instructional equipment and supplies, and new computers are items students can look forward to due to the Nov. 4 passage of the Munster School Referendum. The referendum provided a $600,000 increase in the School Town's operating budget.

Approval of the referendum brought many positive reactions. "If the referendum enables us to have smaller class sizes, teachers will be able to give us more individualized attention," expressed sophomore Jamie Volk.

"I feel that the passage speaks well for Munster as being a community that places a high priority on education," proudly said Mrs. Linda Hess.



Something to BRAG about in town

One year ago, the Chicago Bears stole the hearts of loyal fans as they steam-rolled their way to their first-ever Super-Bowl Championship. However, an equally amazing football team kicked, clawed, and scratched their way to the "Final Four" in the state high school competition. Though they didn't take home the championship, the Munster Mustangs gave fans something to cheer about.

With a come-from-behind 24-21 victory over Hobart, the team and coaches were overcome by pride to be the only Munster team to win Regionals. "I felt proud to be a part of such a great victory," stated Coach Leroy Marsh. "It was a win that the players and coaches deserved after all the hard work of the past year."

The Mustang's dreams of a State championship were dashed by the Barons of DeKalb in a 14-6 loss. "Sure I was disappointed," said sophomore Tim Engle. "But it was cool to get to Semi-State."

Players, too, had mixed emotions about the defeat. "I felt empty," said senior All-Stater Dan Hollis. "In retrospect, I was happy, too, because we did make it to the Final Four, and DeKalb went on to win State. We came close."

All good things must come to an end. However, their "never say die" attitude provided a season of thrills, spills and excitement. Not quite the Monsters of the Midway, but they're working on it.

Let's get fired up!
Excitement fills the air as students cheer on the football team as they prepare to face DeKalb at the Semi-State game. A special pep rally was held in honor of the Mustangs' success in the Regional game against Hobart.

What was the biggest news of the year?

. . . "It was when the Voyager was the first airplane to go around the world on one tank of gas, because it showed how technology is making advances."
—sophomore Amy Fraser

. . . "The Summit talks with Reagan and Gorbechev, because it effected the whole world. The decisions of these men can prevent nuclear war."
—sophomore Robert Ballenger

. . . "I think it was when the Bears lost in the playoff, because everyone counted on them to make it to the Super Bowl again."
—junior Cami Pack

. . . "It was Hulk Hogan retaining the World Wrestling Federation Championship title, because he stands for the American way of life."
—sophomore Mark Swindle

If given two hours of free time, how would you spend it?

"I'd play with make-up and do some weird things with my hair,"

—sophomore Saralie Herakovich

"I'd go to Contempo Casuals and try on some really weird clothes,"

—freshman Tracy Liming

"I'd try on all the clothes in my closet,"

—junior Susan Higgins

"I'd go to Calumet Tech and mess with their laboratory experiments,"

—junior Mike Andreshak

Man's best CHUM?

"Old MacDonald had a farm, e-i-e-i-o. And on that farm he had an . . . eel?"

Eels may not have been common down on the farm, but junior Brian Preslin took an eel as his pet. "I have a semi-ferocious eel and it's a big responsibility. But it's cool to see it chow on the goldfish I feed him," said Brian.

Many students enjoyed watching their pets. One student chose a goose to be her pet. "My pet goose Lucy is cute because she eats grass or lettuce sandwiches," senior Julie Blaine said. "It's so funny when the neighborhood kids' baseball goes into our yard because she stands right over the ball and honks. The kids are usually afraid of her!"

Some pets served students as unique companions. "I love my rabbits. They're warm and cuddly but most of all they never 'talk back' like dogs," sophomore Amy Fraser explained.

Whether playing fetch, walking a goose, or just watching the tropical fish, students found that pets could be good friends, yet big responsibilities. Much of students' free time was spent taking care of their pets.

Duck, duck, goose—
Taking a winter stroll, "Lucy" the goose stops to enjoy a few quick pecks at a nearby bush. Under the watchful eyes of sisters Julie, senior, and sophomore Gina Blaine, Lucy is allowed to exercise at least once a day.

Underwater wonder
In a cautious attempt to examine his pet eel, junior Brian Preslin takes some time to enjoy his favorite hobby. Students found that unusual pets were often more interesting than the normal dog or cat companion.

Writing stories to collecting postcards, teens developed

PERSONAL INTERESTS

Americans watch an average of seven hours of TV a day. With eight hours of school and eight hours of sleep, students had little time left to spend on other activities. But some still found time for their hobbies.

Some students took up short story writing to keep themselves busy. "I'm writing a collection of stories with inside jokes about my friends. I hope someday they'll be published," said sophomore Emily Rosales.

Other students chose different ways to spend their private time. Some made home videos with their friends. "It's fun to mess around and act crazy and be able to watch it over and over again with a great feeling of accomplishment," said junior Mike Pietraszak.

Another activity some students took part in was postcard collecting. "My dad travels a lot so I get quite a few postcards from far away places," sophomore Anne Bibler explained. "It's neat to look at them and see what other parts of the world look like."

No matter how busy the schedule, students made time for their personal interests and hobbies.

A tribute to Marilyn
Exhibiting yet another item from her wall-to-wall Marilyn Monroe collection, freshman Deanna Ryband marks the day on her Marilyn calendar. Hobbies offered fun ways to show off their private interests.

Posters, knick-knacks, trophies and calendars make

NO PLACE LIKE HOME

"There's no place like home." After a long day of school, students awaited the comforts of their bedrooms to kick back and relax.

Students decorated their rooms to reflect their personalities. "I have posters on my ceilings and one wall is paint-splattered. My room is rowdy. That's me," said junior Vicky Olesh.

"I have posters of rock groups and sports personalities on my walls so that people can tell what kind of person I am when they walk into my room," said junior Matt Sobolewski.

Sometimes, students sought refuge by spending time alone in their rooms. "I love locking myself in my room, jamming the stereo, and thinking about my life. It's very relaxing," said junior Jennifer Vanderhoek.

Some students found it easier to relax in a tidy room "I spend a lot of time in my room, so I try to keep it clean and organized or I'd never find anything," said freshmen Mike Bacino.

Others preferred keeping a messy room. "I guess my room looks like a tornado hit because I'm always in a hurry. But I like it because it looks lived-in," sophomore Leslie Schoon explained.

Whether plastered with posters or sprinkled with splatters, bedrooms reflected their owners' personalities. From clean to tornado-strewn, students sought the comforts of "no place like home" in their very own rooms.

Students find ways to cut movie costs by opting for

HOME VIDEO CRAZE

Hot, buttery popcorn and a large Coke provided the perfect start for a night at the movie theatre. However, with the price of tickets going up, students turned to a bowl of microwaved popcorn and rented movies to relieve the craving for a good show.

Instead of spending their allowances and work money at the movies, students found a way to cut the expense in half: rent. But a good movie became even better when friends were around to share in the fun. "My friends bring the pop and I supply the popcorn. We sit watching until the early morning, talking, and laughing," junior Angel Thompson stated.

Some students found a sure way to enjoy movies at home—they made their own. "The best movies to watch are the ones that I and my friends made ourselves. You're sure to laugh," senior Harold Paz stated.

Another benefit to home movie viewing was greater snack variety—something beyond the standard popcorn-and-candy movie concession stand fare. "My friends and I order pizzas before we watch a movie so we can eat and be merry while watching," senior Kip Simmons stated.

Enjoying a wide movie selection playing "at a theater near you," students found the bite taken out of the usual cinema expense.

What a feeling
Checking out the contents of "Flashdance," freshman Jeremy Brenman reviews some of the highlights of the movie. Renting movies from local video stores gave students a chance to view them with friends in the comfort of their own home.

Students dance the night away as teen nightclubs become

LOCAL HOTSPOTS

A sip of Club Soda was the only beverage necessary to create a feeling of "Jubilation" as students gathered together for a night of dancing and interacting with members of the opposite sex.

"I go to Jubilation once every couple of weeks," junior Cammi Champion said. "I like it there because I get to meet new people."

Proper music was a must when it came to dancing. Deejays spun requested songs and Top 40 hits. "Most of the music played was new wave. They play songs by 'The Cure'; 'Billy Idol', and other popular groups. It's great the way everyone gets rowdy when the songs are played," junior Scott Brakebill stated.

After the feeling of "Jubilation" faded, the "Club Soda" fizzled out. When the lights dimmed and the music stopped, students knew that their night of dancing and loud music had ended.

On cue
As he takes a break from a night of dancing at Jubilations, sophomore Vini Santucchi catches up on his pool techniques. Playing pool helped Vini cool down after working up a sweat from dancing.

High school: BEST times of life?

"Enjoy yourself while you're young. These are the best years of your life!" Students heard this cliché repeated as they made their way through high school. For some, the phrase seemed to hold true, while others felt that the best times were yet to come.

"Best times" could happen anywhere. Vacations provided chances to meet people and see different things that couldn't have or be seen by staying home. "Going on a cruise was the best time because I made new friends," sophomore Amy Fraser stated.

However, some students found local activities memorable. "Last summer was the best because I hung out at the fair and became friends with the carnies," junior Jackie Kieft said.

Where memories were concerned, time spent with friends played an important part in students' lives. "Some of the best times have been with my friends when we go out to eat," sophomore Jen Wilhelm said.

While going places was fun, material things proved just as satisfying. "One of the best times for me was when I got my stereo system because I had been waiting for it for a very long time," freshman Mike Langer stated.

Sporting events also provided fond recollections. Sophomore John Goodrich explained, "I was waiting around all day to catch a fish and when I finally caught one it was huge."

On the other hand, students felt that the years to come would bring good times that would hold special memories. "I have not been anywhere or done anything different yet that would make a part of my life the best yet, but I'm still waiting," junior Stacy Szamy expressed.

For some, the future held the chance to fill the void of "the best time of your life," while for others, the void had already been filled.

Thanks for the memories . . . Is high school the best time of your life?

"No. Because parents always say high school should be the most fun you'll ever have but when you go to have fun, they start reminding you of your responsibilities."

—senior Kris Jansen

"Yes. Because you meet new people and get your driver's license."

—sophomore Ravi Patel

"Yes. Because I really love school and enjoy being in school."

—freshman Chauni Huddleton

"No. Because I've been in too many schools."

—junior Eric Gower

What extreme would you go to to avoid studying?

"I'd scrub all the floors in my house with a tooth-brush."

sophomore Heather Fesko

"I'd read the Enquirer and other stupid reading material."

junior Jamie Breuker

"I would offer to do the dishes."
sophomore Christy Szala

"I'd watch all of the diving at the swim meet."
senior Kerry Deignan

Beating the BLAHS requires skill

More common than a common cold . . . more painful than appendicitis . . . more strenuous than strep throat . . . what could such an evil affliction be? "The blahs." Unlike chicken pox, no vaccine cures this universal condition. And, although everyone is susceptible to catching the dreaded disease, all did not agree on the cures for what ailed them. But to each his own.

Homework Blahs

Symptoms: Writer's cramp, bloodshot eyes, short attention span, urge for TV or telephone, drowsiness.

Cures: "I watch the "Boob Tube" for a while or call one of my friends and chat a

World of his own

Preoccupied with the night's game against High-land, sophomore Erik Parker tunes out the teach-er. Defensive plans became more important than a lecture over "A Separate Peace."

few hours," junior Robin Fandrie explained.

"Reading the comics," senior Nicole Rittenmyer said.

School Blahs

Symptoms: Everyday-is-Friday syndrome, writer's cramp, drowsiness, morning blues.

Cures: "I doodle a lot in my notebook," sophomore Tammy Hollis said.

"I roll up little wads of paper," senior John Stewart said, "and shoot baskets with them." "I write notes or do anything besides study binary nomenclature," said sophomore Margo Cohen.

Writer's block
Dragged down by hours of homework, senior Penny Karr struggles to work on the rough draft for her English Comp 12-paragraph theme on education's role in society.

Weekend Blahs

Symptoms: Seen-every-movie-at-the video-store blues, no car or ride pains, houseworkitis, junk food binge.

Cures: "I hold my breath," said sophomore Don Bremer.

"I hangout at Southlake Mall," said sophomore Jackie Johnson.

Parental Grounding Blahs

Symptoms: No phone, TV, computer frenzy, junk food attack, houseitis, no social activity aches.

Cures: "I raid the icebox," said sophomore Jason Gedman.

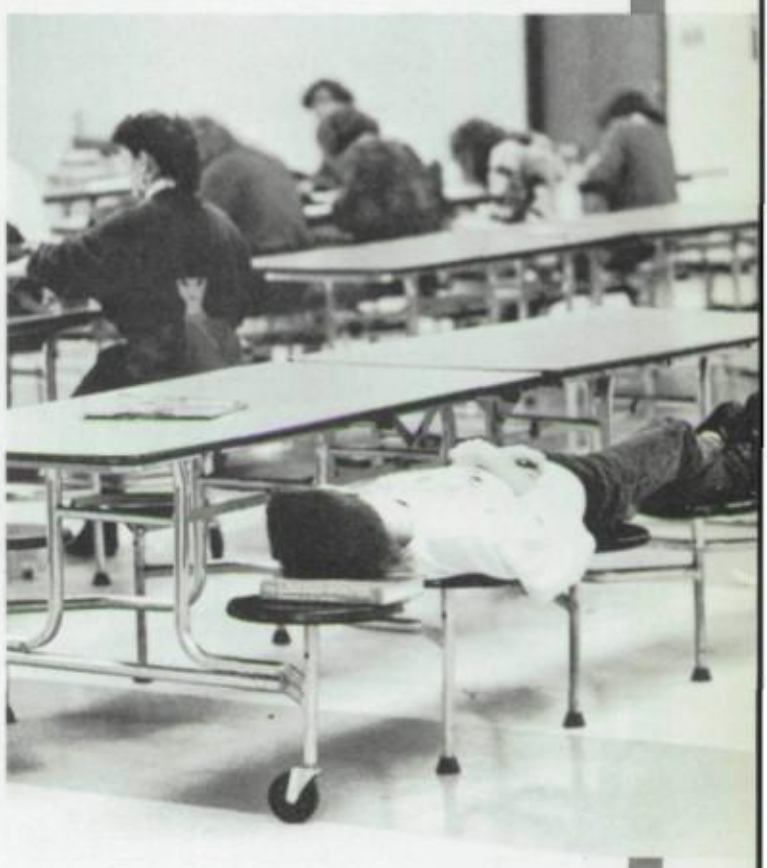
"I rearrange the clutter in my room," sophomore Cari Van Senus explained.

Weather Blahs

Symptoms: Sit by the window blues, call-the-time-and-temp-every-five-minutes-syndrome. Caught in the rain/snow sniffles, slip on the ice aches.

Cures: "I listen to ZZ Top if I can't go out," said junior Jerry Cabrera.

"I'd move to California," said senior Marla Kozak.



Stormy snooze
Disenchanted by a stormy December day, a sleeping junior copes with dismal weather by taking a quick nap. Sleeping was a favorite way to pass the time when weather was bad.

Whether passing go or pursuing trivia, competition turns to

GAMES PEOPLE PLAY

When no good movies were playing at local theaters, the video stores were out of new releases, and no parties were going on, what was there to do? Looking for a new clue to life, students took to card and board games to beat the boring hours.

Of the many board games available the current trend found students playing the game of principles and morals, "Scruples." "When there's nothing to do, my friends and I get together to play "Scruples." It is really fun to see how other people handle moral situations," said junior Susan Higgins.

Matter of Morals
Principles were challenged as sophomores Kelly Livingston, Dina Hanes, and junior Kristin Hanes enjoyed Scruples. Playing games was a good way for students to beat homework blahs.

Unlike "Scruples", "Monopoly" offered players the chance to use luck and skill. "Monopoly is fun for a while, just to see who gets the most property and money," said freshman Lisa Medynsky.

Not all games require boards or dice; some involved more physical challenges. Ice hockey is one. "It's a great feeling, out there on the ice. It gives you a great workout," said sophomore Thomas Ellison.

Others ice skated at the rink in Homewood-Flossmoor. "Just skating around the rink was a good way to spend time," said junior Brian Suirek.

Whether second-guessing a friend or racing down the ice, students found that there's more to life than the "blahs."

Great America to time with relatives, outings provide rare

FAMILY AFFAIRS

Some approached it with dread; others were all smiles at the prospect of "it." What "it" could provoke so many diverse emotions . . . the family outing.

The success of any family outing seemed to boil down to how well family members got along. "Going to places like Great America with the family is a good time because everybody's excited and there's no room for arguing," junior Eric Schwartz explained.

Some students enjoyed visiting relatives because it was a chance for everyone to get together. "It's nice when my cousins come visit for a weekend because my mom makes a big dinner and after we eat we play Trivial Pursuit," said sophomore Cara Phelan.

For some, a family outing provided a relaxing change from the rigors of being a student. "I like going to sporting events with the family because it's relaxing and fun to watch," said senior Paul Buyer. "It's a great way to escape from home where there's work waiting to be done."

On the other hand, some students preferred to spend family outing time with friends rather then family because parents planned the same activities for each family outing. "I want to spend most of my free time with my friends because I'm going away to college. Also, my parents plan the same activities like bowling and picnics," senior Missy Johnson said.

The rare family outing took the place of the usual "day out with the gang." Why? Outings gave students time with their families instead of the same routine with their friends.

Taking a break from the norm, youth groups provide

RELIGION PLUS FUN

Religious or ethnic group affiliation provided more than just sitting through what seemed to be an endless service early in the morning or a long-lasting bible class late at night.

Youth groups, including the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO), United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) and B'nai Brith Youth Organization (BBYO), gave students the opportunity to participate with others of the same religious background through making new friendships, gaining responsibilities or just spending time with each other.

"We planned many activities that kids really seemed to enjoy, such as dances, skiing trips and camping trips," senior Sandy Hemingway, CYO president explained.

Senior Russell Brackett, UMYF president, explained"being able to get together with other Christians and enjoy their company was the major reason why I joined the youth group." Social functions and fundraisers were organized by UMYF.

"Socializing is a main reason why kids join BBYO. Meeting hundreds of other people your age and making friends that will last a lifetime are the best aspects of joining a youth group," said senior Michelle Deutch, BBYO president.

To these students there was no such thing as a "boring morning at the church or synogogue." Joining kids of their own religion drew them close together as they shared beliefs.

Volunteers HELP those in need

Doctors, nurses and interns were not the only people who strolled the hospital halls. Volunteer workers roamed the hospital doing a variey of odds and ends to help busy nurses.

Volunteer workers helped out at least once a week and did the work for personal satisfaction. "I volunteered because I really enjoy helping out the hospital and doing this makes me feel good about myself," explained senior Dianna Holler.

The tasks they did made them feel useful and helped patients get better. "I helped out the nurses with noncontact services such as carrying urine samples to the lab and delivering flowers," stated Dianna.

Some students chose to volunteer because of future plans related to medicine. "I want to be a nurse and being a Candy Striper has given me good experience for my future years. I'm used to seeing a lot of pain and suffering which is hard to get used to," said Susan Glennon, sophomore.

Though they did most of the "dirty work", these helpers didn't seem to mind. They eagerly offered their help to make life easier for those in need.

Lending a helping hand
Working on assigned tasks, senior Dianna Holler and sophomore Susan Glennon volunteer their services at Munster Community Hospital.

How do you spend quality free time after school?

"I joined BBYO because it was an opportunity to meet and gain friendships with kids in my own religion."
sophomore Nikki Gardberg

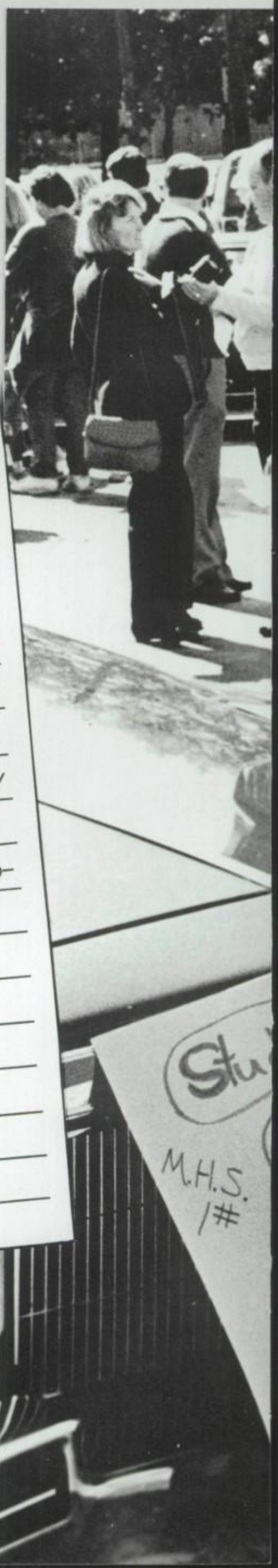
"Taking college classes on the side not only gave me a head start as far as college credits are concerned, but also gave me more information for going to college than given in high school."
senior Renee Robinson

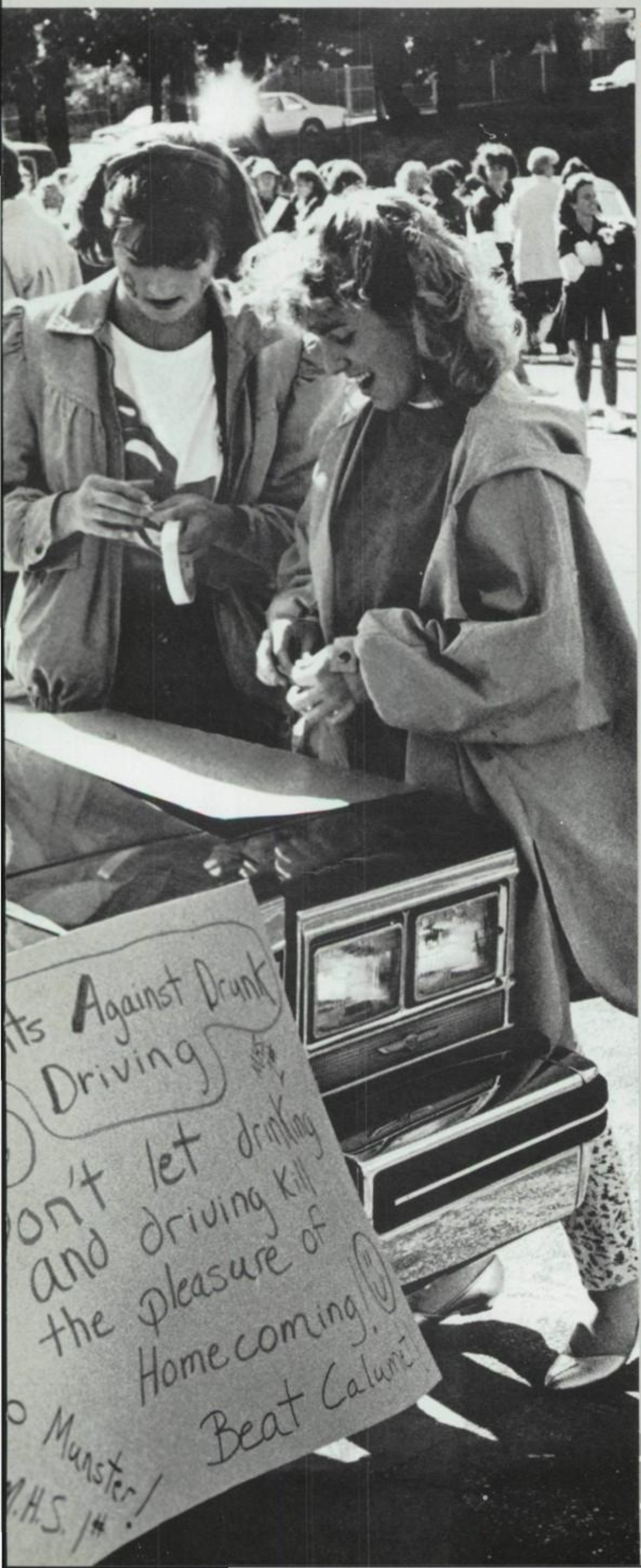
"I volunteered my services because I wanted to be helpful toward the handicap. It was well worth the time I put in to it."
senior Dave Galocy

"My best family outing was when we went to a national park. We had a lot of fun telling stories around the campfire."
junior Debbie Koepke

Exploring the underwater remains of a plane. Sampling authentic Spanish cuisine at Don Quixote's. Hurling giant black balls at helpless wooden pins: Does it sound like the ultimate weekend? May be. Does it sound like it has something to do with school? Maybe not. But, in fact, clubs were "ordinary" groups of people meeting to do out-of-the-ordinary activities proving that you don't have to be an over-achiever to have fun. Disappointment struck as DECA found themselves unable to attend District competition due to icy roads. Also, the Speech Team beat their rival opponent Chesterton twice in two weeks. GTO lived by the words "rise and shine" as they kept time at all home swimming and wrestling meets. Finally, Scuba Club hit the island of Curacao for their annual trip. With over 24 extra-curricular clubs available, it was easy to see why students chose to get involved rather than let life whiz by. Whether answering obscure questions, check-mating their friends or exploring the world of science, there was definitely something for everybody. After all,

Life is not a spectator sport





Sobering signs
Ready to drive their point home, sophomores Charlissa Williams and junior Dawn Wrona put the final touches on their SADD-sponsored hearse. Parading the vehicle helped bring a sobering message to the students.

Bug off!
Forced to climb in the cramped back seat, junior Cathy Romar prepares to ride in the German Club's Volkswagon Bug. Most clubs entered a colorful car in the annual Homecoming parade.

Hand-eye coordination
Following the music with her eyes, freshman Julie Waltham practices an upbeat version of the Star Spangled Banner. Rehearsals proved worthwhile as the Band entertained at both football and basketball games.

Filling the communication gap
Student Government, SADD
unite student body through

THE Diplomatic LIFESTYLE

Diplomacy (di-plo'ma-se) 1. Tact in dealing with people. 2. The art or practice of conducting international relations.

Diplomatic skills came in handy during many situations: telling Mom and Dad about a report card, talking to a police officer as he wrote out a ticket, or commenting on a friend's new hairstyle. It sometimes helped to practice diplomatic tactics.

For students involved in certain organizations, however, diplomacy became a way of life. "The key to any successful organization at the high school level is the ability to communicate effectively with higher officials," senior Blase Polite, Student Body President, said.

One group that tried to win through with their "tact in dealing with people" was the Student Senate. The Senate was made up of two branches, Student Government and Class Executive Councils.

Ten representatives from each grade level compromised the Student Government, whose goal was twofold. "We wanted to create a harmonious blend between students and administration," explained Blase. "We also attempted to institute policies and programs that broke up the every day ritual of school life."

Some Student Government sponsored activities included Homecoming, pep rallies, and Battle of the Bands. A Christmas canned food drive and the annual student blood drive were also organized by the group.

Responsibility for other activities fell to Student Senate's other branch, the Class Executive Council (CEC). Each class elected ten people to represent them and the CEC's operated independently from one another, each group responsible for the activities of its own class' operations.

CEC did more than just conduct activities. "CEC's duty is to fill the communication gap between the school and students and their activities," Matt Sobolewski, Junior CEC member explained.

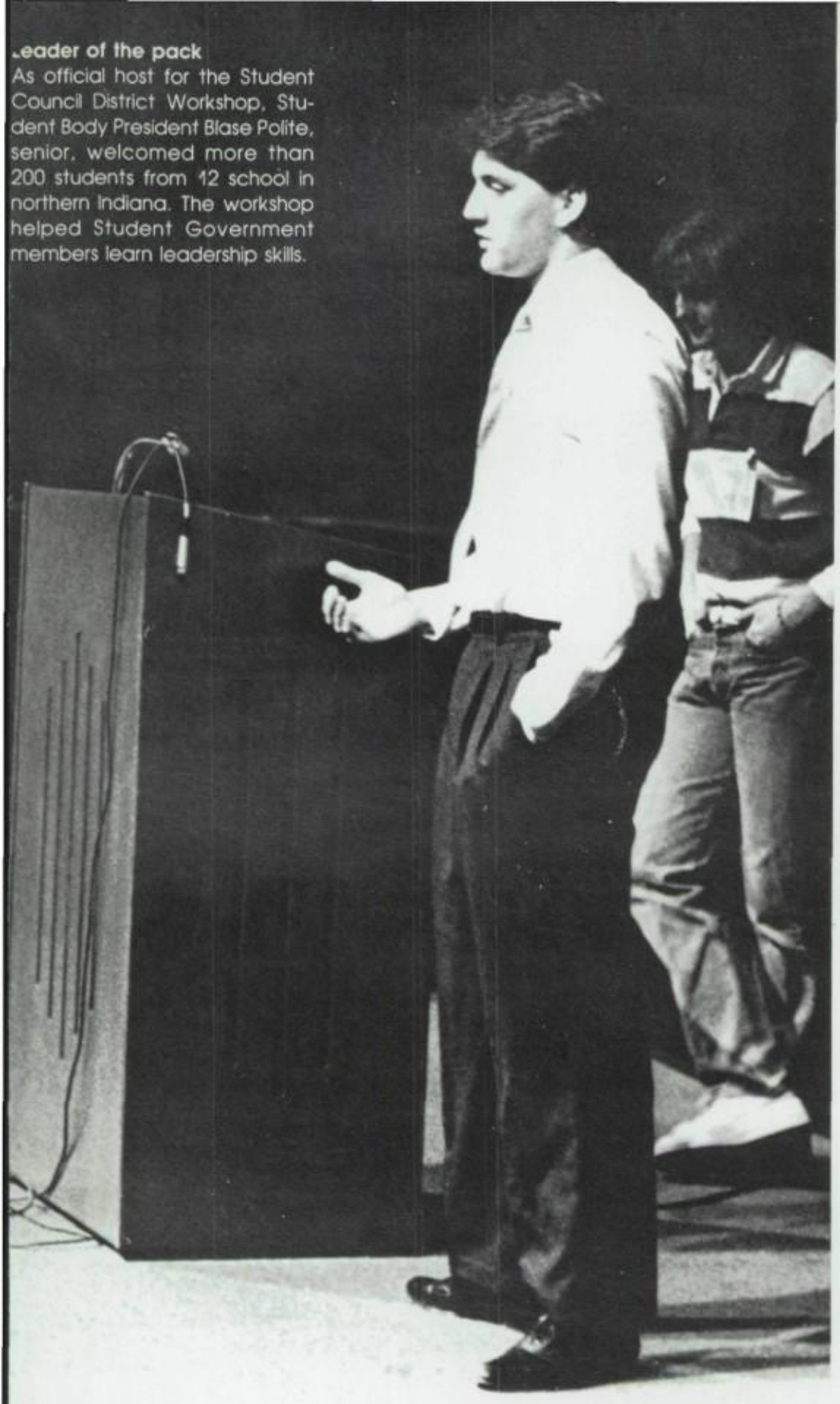
Another group using diplomacy coupled with communication was Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD). This awareness group had to use "tact in dealing with people" to explain their message to the student body: Don't drive drunk. Sometimes, getting the point across was not an easy task. "Anything involving drugs or alcohol, it's hard to pull the kids together," said SADD sponsor Mrs. Karen Cook.

Many techniques were used to try to pull the student body together. "A guest speaker, Mr. John Reed, talked about his own experience as a drunk driver. He was very effective," said junior Jeff Strater, SADD vice president. "We also heard a lot of response to the posters we placed in the halls and our announcements." said Jeff.

Student Against Drunk Driving (SADD). (front row) Jenny Koo, Cindy Michel, Christine Zudock, Darlene Kender, Mary Dragmur, Rea Robinson, Charlisa Williams. (row 2) Robin Frandrei, Kimberly Vickers, Mitch Gardberg, Gregg Schwartz, Jean Morgan, Beth Wrona, JoMary Crary. (back row) Missy Johnson, Kerry Deignan, Renee Giragos, Jeff Strater, Tricia Camino, Jeff Kwasney, Mrs. Karen Cook.

Freshman Class Executive Council. (front row) Erica Boehm, Tammy Checroun, Mia Song, Tina Schmidt. (row 2) Richard Han, Curt Sobolewski, Dave Mussatt, John Kim. (back row) Helen Nelson, Adam Rothschild, Sara Mintz, Deena Franko.

Leader of the pack
As official host for the Student Council District Workshop, Student Body President Blase Polite, senior, welcomed more than 200 students from 12 school in northern Indiana. The workshop helped Student Government members learn leadership skills.



Student Council. (front row) Darlene Kender, James Cha, Alison Glendening, Greg Novak, Bronwyn Billings, Aeri Kwak, Dana Adich. (row 2) Tracy Liming, Susie Beckman, Sally Brennan, Andrea Roy, Julie Bacino, Cindy Simko, Robin Fandrei, Laura McGill. (back row) Kristi Dunn, Tammy DeReamer, Jeff Flroczak, Carolyn Pajor, Camille Saklacynski, Adam Tavitas, Cindy Crist.

Student Council (front row) Joe Galvin, Don Fesko, William Weaver, Lisa Chen, Julie Holland, Michelle Safko, Robert Molnar, Sonalie Balajee. (row 2) Cheryl Cooper, Barb Payne, Debbie Payne, Margo Cohen, Lynn Dechaneal, Tori Szurgot, Saralie Herakovich. (back row) Suzy Dickerhoff, Diane Adich, Tom Muntean, Conrad Almase, Nicole Rusnak, Blase Polite, Katie Flemming, Nancy Gozdecki.

Sophomore Class Executive Council. (front row) Eric Pardell, Gene Chang, Dina Hanes, Tammy Hollis, Steve Hess. (back row) Sharon Pavol, Jason Ryband, Lisa Baciu, Paulette Pokrifcak, John Reed.

Junior Class Executive Council. (front row) Jenny Dedelow, Chrissy Zudock, Sue Anaszewicz. (row 2) Kris Siebecker, JoMary Crary, Julianne Chevigny, Sue Higgins. (back row) Mike Mertz, Tom Boyden, Matt Sobolewski, Todd Rokita.

Senior Class Executive Council. (front row) Colleen Murphy, Julie Blaine. (row 2) Sheri Fefferman, Kerry Deignan, Cathy Labitan. (row 3) Kevin Trilli, Tom Arcella. (back row) Giri Sekhar, Morgan Noel, Brian Lorenz.

THE *Diplomatic* LIFESTYLE *leads DECA group to ring in cash*

While it aided those involved in SADD, "tact in dealing with people" also became a necessity in the world of business. For students interested in business careers, Distributive Clubs of America (DECA) provided a sampling of what a future in business might hold.

As DECA members, students were able to spend just three to four hours in classes at school and then receive early dismissal to proceed to afternoon jobs. "Being in DECA, you have a good chance to get a job in a field you want to pursue," club treasurer senior Kim Falusi said.

"Dividing time between school and working, I get a sense of responsiblity that helps me to understand the business world," added senior Missy Kellams, DECA president.

Competitions in parliamentary procedure as well as other business skills against DECA members from other schools helped members to learn even more about the business world and about diplomacy in that world. "Parliamentary procedure helps you to learn how to conduct a business meeting by giving you first hand experience in what really goes on," senior Jenine Pestikas said.

To raise money to travel to district, state and national competitions, DECA held a Homecoming balloon sale and a November candy sale. They also raised money for charity with their annual bowl-a-thon, making over $2,950 for Muscular Dystrophy. A canned food drive provided Thanksgiving dinners for needy people in the community.

"DECA enables students to become aware of various career choices and leadership qualities," DECA sponsor Mr. Kent Lewis, business teacher, stated, "At the same time they can respond to and aid community services."

What's what?
Promptly updating inventory, seniors Julie Wicinski and Kris Ware make sure the bookstore is kept fully stocked. DECA is in charge of keeping "The Source" prepared for sales.

Bowling for dollars
With a helping hand for Muscular Dystrophy, DECA members raised nearly $3,000 at their annual bowl-a-thon. Sponsor Mr. Kent Lewis explains the automatic score machine to members Cassie Fortener and Julie Moore.

Feeding the needy
As part of the DECA food drive, senior Mike Hinds and junior Nicole Fiegle pack food to be sent to needy families in the Hammond area. DECA was able to aid in various community services through the year.

Junior DECA. (front row) Judy Moore, Michelle Conner, Cassie Fortener, Lori Jucknowski, Mike Vlasich. (row 2) Vicky Olesh, Laura Goldasich, Rich Fabisiak, Jen Uzubell, Amy Derolf, Kemp Simoneto. (back row) John Skertich, Chris Chronowski, Steve Dorsey, Tony Grady, Jim O'Donnell.

Junior DECA. (front row) Rachael Pomeroy, Karen Russell, Brian Preslin, Penny Opatera, Toni Garza, Michele Bartok. (row 2) Laura Skertich, Robyn Howerten, Debbie Koepke, Jennifer Fariss, Chrissie Vegetable, Heidi Ward. (row 3) Nicole Fiegle, Neal Lorenzi, Randy Mattingly, Sean Brennan, Joann Clements. (back row) John Whited, Mike Ross, Larry Wiley, Pat Pluard, Barry Janouski, Robert Kruisuowski.

Senior DECA. (front row) Mr. Kent Lewis, Chris Duran, Bonnie Jones, Jenine Pestikas, Julie Wicinski, Evette Gadzala, Pam Wheale. (row 2) Dina Strange, Kris Ware, Angie Tsakopoulos, Kim Falusi, Michelle Basich, Mary Fissinger. (row 3) Carla Wilson, Mark Slonaker, Robert Gallo, Ray Hajduch, Laura Arent, Jennifer Johnson, Jay Patel. (back row) John Iatrides, Rich Wojcikowski, Chris Vogt, Melinda Beach, Mike Hinds, Sam Manzotes, Frank Scheive.

Game time
Playing "pin the head on the skeleton," freshman Jeremy Brenman participates in the "Day of the Dead" activities, sponsored by the Spanish Club.

Dishing it out
Serving food at the Germanfest, senior Rob Lesko and sophomore Shelly Springer share the work. Germanfest offered a variety of food and deserts, sponsored by the German Club.

Spanish Club. (front row) Melissa Nicholas, Leanne Fleck, Brenda Kloeckner, Tina Schmidt, Beth Wrona, Dana Adich, Lisa Maxin. (row 2) Margo Sabina, Morgan Hawkins, Deborah Rybicki, Stacy Szany, Nola Golubiewski, Jen Kelbaugh. (row 3) Lisa Baciu, Laura Stover, Becky Levin, Christy Lorney, Jennifer Johnson, Marnie Gray, Gregg Schwartz. (back row) Cathy Labitan, Suzy Dickerhoff, Dennis Gifford, Phil Sorak, Mike Pietraszak, Steve Karol, Noel Javate.

French Club. (front row) Kara Wachel, Christy Rossa, Deborah Rybicki, Rea Robinson, Louise Andreani, Jennifer Lewis, Amy Claustre. (row 2) Dianna Holler, Dianna Pudlo, Beth Sak, Elaine Schmidt, Kathy Sims, Mary Jo Hoch. (row 3) Bronwyn Billings, Alison Glendening, Aimee Orr, Wade Guyton, Lisa Fiegle, Sherry Goldyn, Trina Murphy. (back row) David Mussatt, Ben Zygmunt, Curt Sobolewski, Dan Lases, Brenda Van Orman, Shiva Ojagh.

French Club. (front row) Sarah Kosenka, Laura Dunn, Hilary Hall, Mary Beth Arent, Mark Farinas. (row 2) Amy Warda, Larissa Brown, John Kim, Lisa Chen, Laura Poplawski, Jennifer Rudoloff. (row 3) Patty Luna, Sheri Tracy, Saralie Herakovich, Debbie Oi, Becky Sims. (back row) Sinae Kwak, Karen Kunkel, Kari Shapiro, Nikki Markovich, Kim Vickers, Amy Miedema.

French Club. (front row) Vicki Vrabel, Jennifer Gershman, Michelle Safko, Emily Rosales, Amy Tobias, Julie Huard, Mrs. Alyce Martt-Webb. (row 2) Beth Hayden, Jackie Johnson, Leslie Darow, Tristana Barlow, Sara Mintz, Christy Szala, Dawn Houghton, Gina Lecas. (row 3) Susan Soderquist, Aeri Kwak, Kathy Vaughn, Robin Skov, Nancy Gozdecki, Vinita Mehta Tammy Checroun. (back row) Kim Szala John Frost, Chris Harding, Jason Schaum Irina Hentea, Tricia Camino, Tori Szurgot Mary Kate Kish.

THE Diplomatic LIFESTYLE *from Oktoberfest to October floats*

The second part of diplomacy, "the art or practice of conducting international relations," came into play through foreign language clubs. With cross-cultural experiences and activities, these organizations aided students in gaining understanding about other nations.

"I try to bring the Spanish culture to the club by showing them Spanish movies, going to Spanish restaurants, and talking about life in Hispanic countries," explained Spanish teacher Mrs. Anne Whiteley, club sponsor.

Spanish Club also sponsored a party on the "Day of the Dead," a traditional Spanish holiday. "On Nov. 2, people in Spain go to the cemetery and decorate the graves of the deceased family members," Mrs. Whiteley explained.

"I really enjoyed the "Day of the Dead," Doug Vis, freshman said. "It was a different experience learning about Spanish people and I enjoyed playing games and eating Spanish snacks."

Even fund-raisers had international appeal. German Club sponsored its annual Oktoberfest. "We held Oktoberfest in the cafeteria, featuring a variety of German food," said Mrs. Helga Meyer, German Club sponsor. "We also had German Raffles and gave German prizes to the winners. We also played German music to set the mood."

Activities cost money, so foreign language organizations held fund-raisers. French Club made money with a bake sale. "All of the students in French Club baked cookies, and we sold them during the lunches at school," senior Kathy Sims explained.

As this international spirit took over the foreign language clubs, diplomacy was seen in practice. Students found the diplomatic life style the only way to go for interschool activities.

rman Club. (front row) Eric East, Sasa cman, Pam Soderquist, Karen Lesko, a Robinson, Todd Apato, Danielle vronicles, Amelia Noel. (row 2) Jim eney, Kathy Romar, Jennifer Baker, e Hentea, Eunice Cardenas, Vanessa ncic, Natasa Bukorovic. (row 3) Jeff Strater, Christine Bobeck, Henry Yu, Michelle Gill, Merrilynn Vranesevich, Phil Wang, Don Williams. (back row) John Nowak, Don Bremer, Christoph Heimermann, Russ Brackett, Rob Lesko, Pat Vale, Mark Swindle.

"Speechies" and Debators keep their mouths moving while racing with

THE Competitive LIFESTYLE

Talk of the upcoming meet raced throughout the room as last minute touches were added to speeches and debators brushed up on their topics. This sight was often seen after school at Speech and Debate practices.

Coached by English teachers Mrs. Helen Engstrom and Mr. Doug Fix, "We all worked hard to get our research done, the speeches or debates organized and lastly delivering them. It all took a lot of dedication and time," said junior Rajesh Shetty.

"The ability to communicate effectively with an audience, the ability to think logically, present ideas in an organized fashion, and to present the ideas effectively, these are all requirements of students in Speech and Debate," said Mrs. Engstrom.

Anyone may participate in Speech and Debate, but the varsity is hand picked. Selection was based upon a student's dedication, how hard they worked, coachability, and their win-loss record. Practice began regularly in October, usually three days a week. Other time was spent practicing at home. "There was never enough practice. There were always things that needed to be perfected," said junior Kathy Romar. "I set aside time when I had the house to myself, but it seemed that even when you thought it was done, you could have added more."

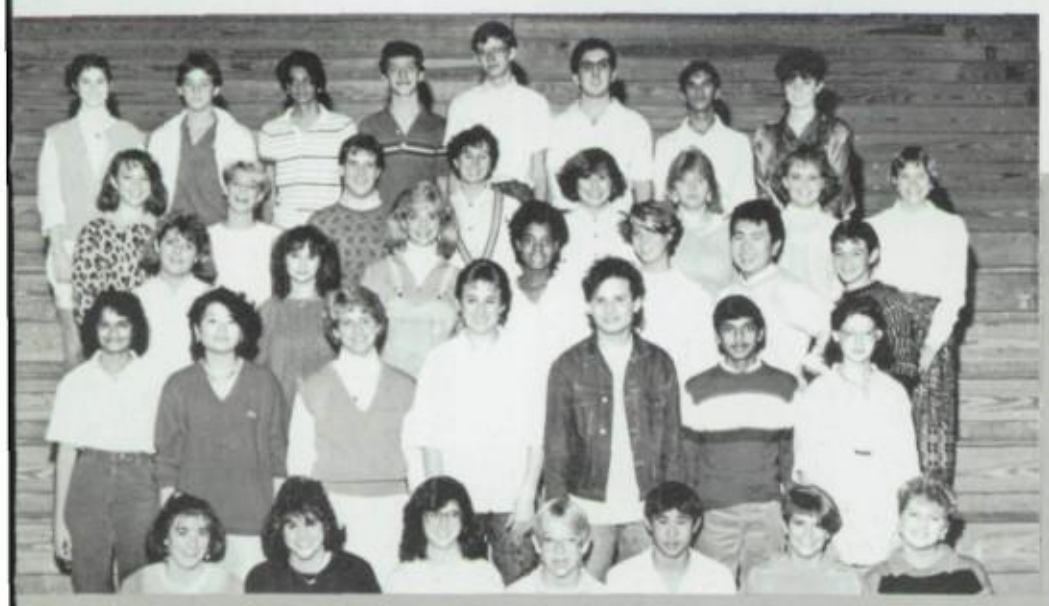
The annual Chicken Barbeque held on Homecoming was a major fund-raiser for Speech and Debate. The ticket sales contributed to the upcoming season. The money paid for judges, bus trips, and sending students to State and Nationals.

When the Speech and Debate season was winding down, the Debate team took eighth in State. Speech and Debate qualified people for the Nationals held in Cincinnati, Ohio. The three people from Debate were juniors Conrad Almase and Rajesh Shetty on the two man debate and senior Giri Sekhar on the Lincoln-Douglas Debate. Qualifiers for Speech were seniors Blase Polite and Rhonda Pool and junior Kathy Romar.

All of the dedication and hard work contributed to their achievement of their goals and perfecting their skills.

Speech and Debate (front row) Kavita Patel, Susan Higgins, Nicole Rittenmeyer, Rebecca Sims, Amy Warda, Robert Molnar, Kris Zaun. (row 2) Adam Rothschild, Archana Vahra, Bob Smith, Jennifer Gust, Grace Cha, Steve Hess. (row 3) Robin Nagy, Donald Williams, Jennifer Baker, Andrea Fefferman, Sarah Kosenka, Dana Rothschild, Tim Engle. (row 4) Eunice Cardenas, Barb Helms, Rhonda Pool, Kari Shapiro, Joe Sheets, Kathi Vaughn. (back row) Vicki Terranova, Steve Sersic, Ray Gupta, Phil Sorak, Giri Sekhar, Conrad Almase, Joe Krajnik.

Speech and Debate (front row) Jennifer Beres, Michelle Quin, Jackie Johnson, Hilary Hall, Mia Song, Jennifer Gershman, Gina Wlazik. (row 2) Brad Echterling, Laura Williams, Colleen Murphy, Nancy Gozdecki, Bronwyn Billings, Shefali Shah, Aeri Kwak, P.D. Paresh. (row 3) Kevin Jerich, Cindy Roh, Kerry Deignan, Laura Stover, Sonia Blesic, John Jimenez, Helen Kim. (back row) Kathy Romar, Heather VanVactor, Victor Fortin, Mike Pietraszak, George Melnik, Greg Witecha, Rajesh Shetty, Swamy Nagubadi.



Speech and Debate (front row) Alison Rothschild, Becca Ochstein, Tristana Barlow, Sean Scheffer, James Chen, Becky Deren, Gina Nicosia. (row 2) Veena Jain, Jenny Koo, Darlene Kender, Shelly Springer, Thom Kontos, Ravi Patel, Laura Bukata. (row 3) Charman Pestikas, Becky Lerrin, Julianne Chevigny, Carolyn Bradley, Tori Szurgot, Gene Chang, Scott Rubin. (row 4) Robin Fandrei, Jenny Bertagnolli, Jeff Strater, Nicole Rusnak, Becky Selig, Marcia LaMantia, Karen Kunkel, Heather Fesko. (back row) Brenda VanOrman, Eric Pardell, Vijay Jain, Pablo Bukata, Jeff Kobe, Dimitri Arges, Anil Jain, Darcie Dimitroff.

Dynamic duo
Practicing their speech on video, junior Barb Helms and senior Rhonda Pool perform for the camera. "Speechies" found that watching themselves on video helped to improve eye contact and body language.

Into the Fire
Preparing for the annual chicken barbeque, juniors John Jimenez and Pablo Bukata try to beat the heat. Speech and Debators coordinated this Homecoming event to raise money for sending students to Nationals, State, and for speech meets.

THE Competitive LIFESTYLE *promotes lab work, trivial pursuits*

Athletics to some provides a way to relax and let off steam. For others the Chess, Science, and Trivia Clubs offered a way to relax and enjoy academic interests.

The 53-member Chess Club has been ranked as one of the top teams in Indiana each year. "Anyone can be a member of the team but they must prove their chess ability each day at practice," stated Chess Club sponsor, Mr. Jeff Graves. "I was introduced to the game and with some natural talent, progressed rather quickly," said freshman Henry Yu, the top board, or member, of the team. Other members enjoyed the social aspects of the club. "It gets you out of the house and you have a chance to do some socializing," commented Senior Dennis Gifford.

When it came to logic and deductive thinking, the Trivia Club had the game in the bag. The club participated in two competitions during the year. They received a computer disk with nationally picked questions and they had to answer the questions in six seconds to earn the top amount of points. "Trivia Club is challenging to see what frivolous information you may know," said senior Giri Sekhar.

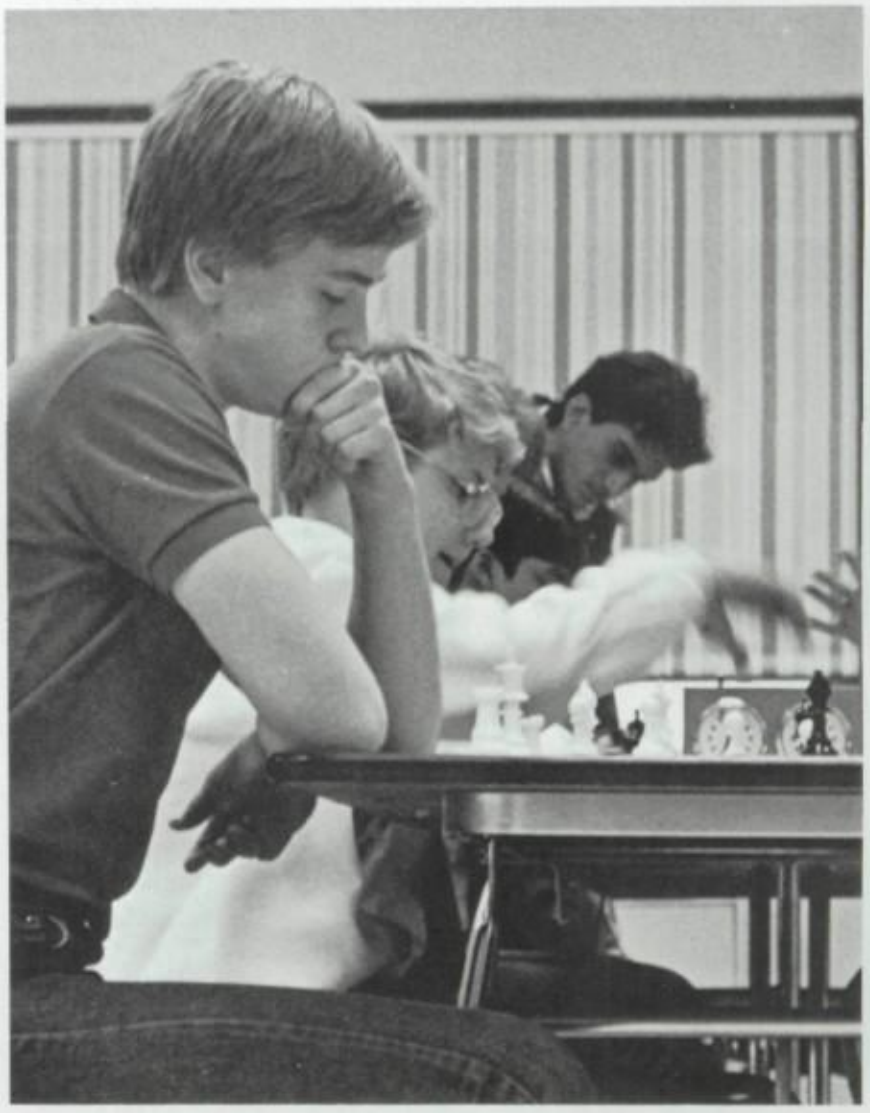
Science Club consisted of members who wished to pursue the world of science through scientific research and discussions. Senior Russ Brackett chose the topic, "effects of caffeine on plants and insects," as his project. Senior Jeff Kobe researched "the effect of auto emissions of bacteria," a project which gave Jeff the opportunity to participate in national competition.

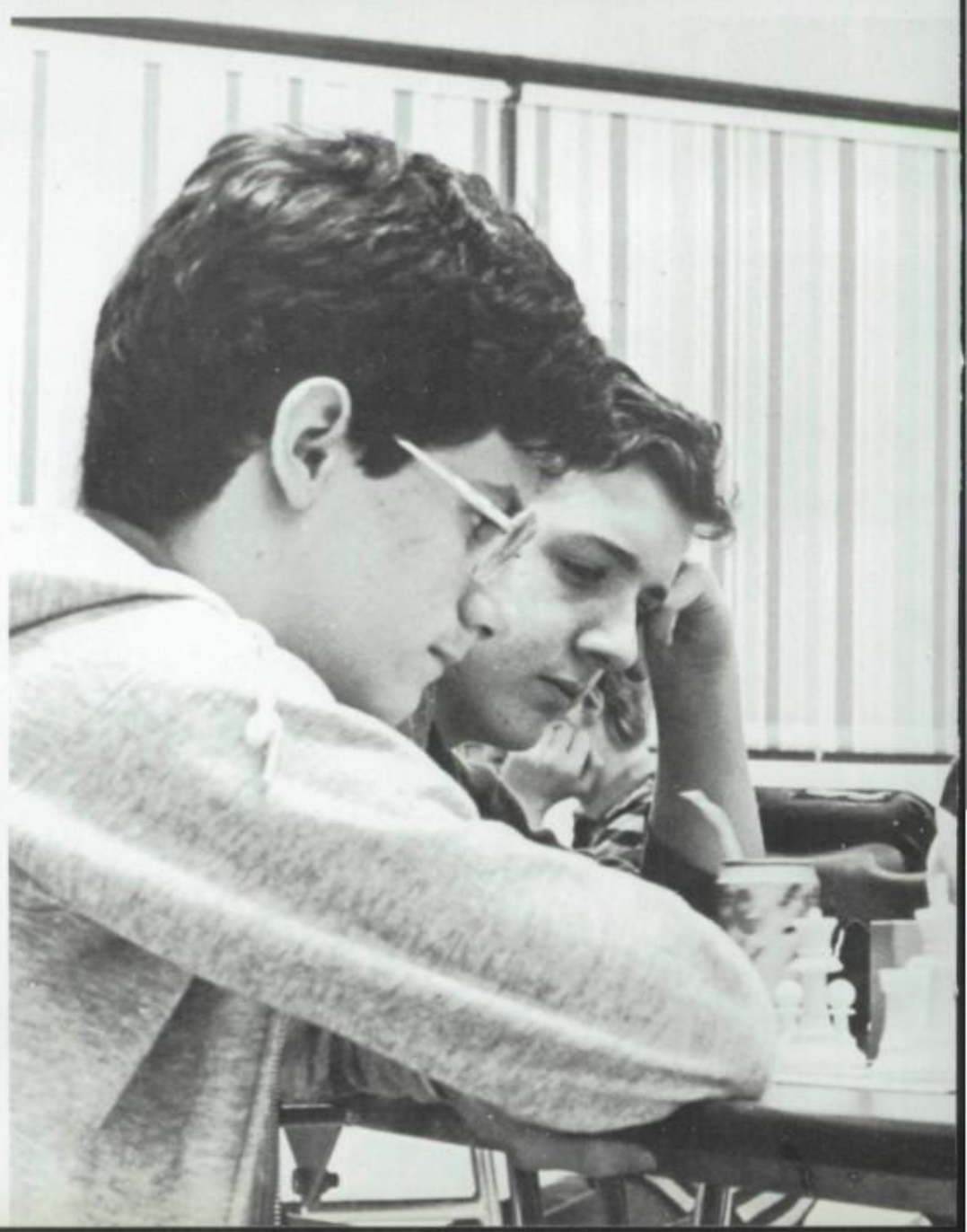
Science club may seem simple enough to belong to, but it was very demanding of its members. "All the work on the project must be done after school or at home; this involves a lot of research in the library and the lab," explained Russ.

Exercising their minds instead of muscles, Chess, Science and Trivia Club members proved that participating in after-school activities was as easy as using their heads.

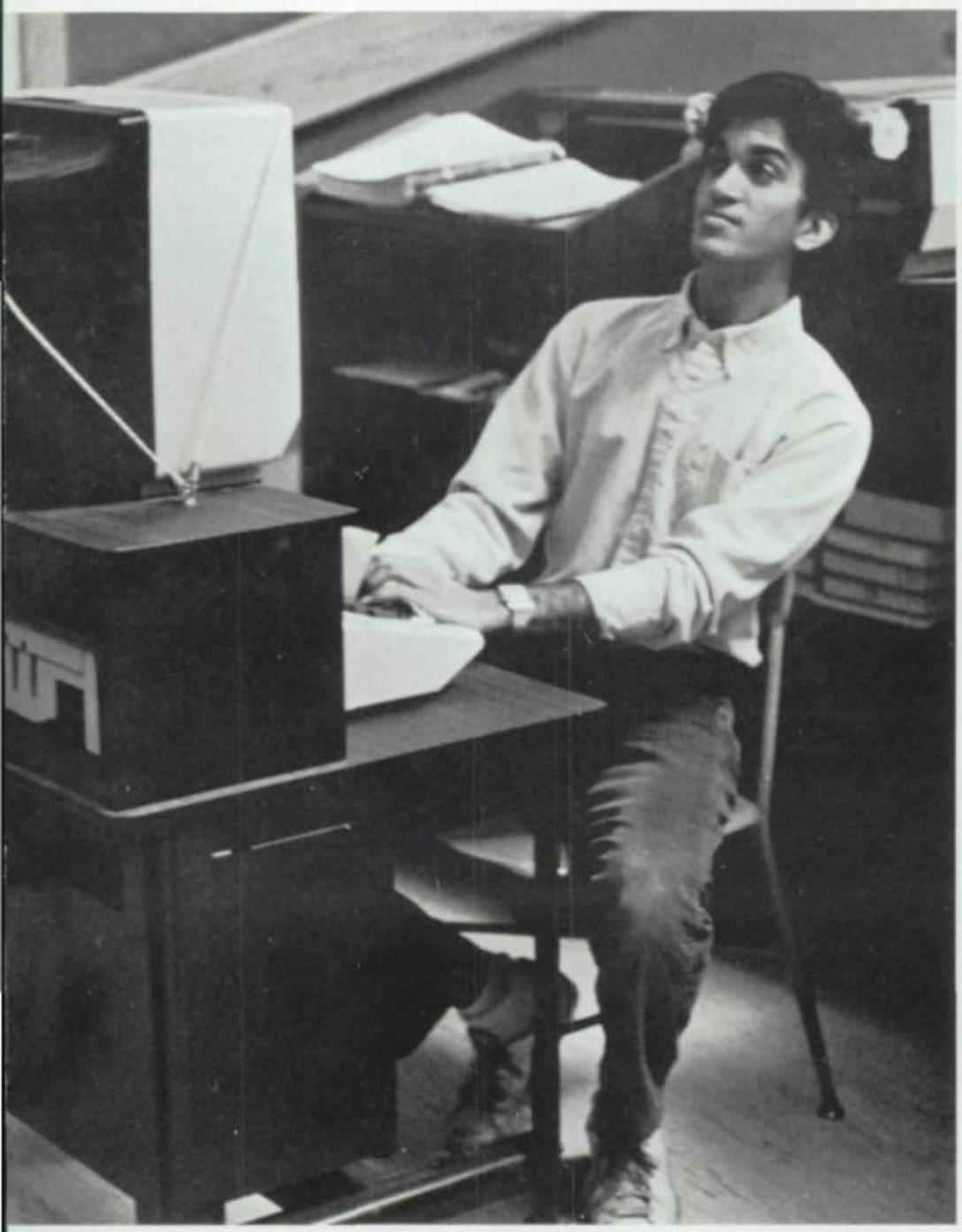
Checkmate
Intently studying his next move, senior Robert Berbeco contemplates moving a pawn or a king. Though time-consuming, chess matches proved to be a popular way to spend time after school.

Brain Storm
Intently answering detailed questions, senior Anil Jain types in the most logical responses. This was one of the two national competitions the Trivia Club participated in during the year.





Make your move
As they consider the possibilities, freshman Scott Spalding, senior Dennis Gifford and juniors Noel Javate and Gary Levy remain in deep thought. Good structured thinking made it possible to defeat the opponent.



Chess Club. (front row) Gary Levy, Brad Ecterling, Mr. Jeff Graves, Leif Sorensen, Sean Scheffer, Victor Ho. (row 2) Scott Spalding, Paul Berbeco, Vijay Jain, Ron Javate, Anil Jain, Noel Javate. (row 3) Rajesh Shetty, Robert Berbeco, Ian Lasics, Richard Osgerby, Giri Sehkar, David Moore. (back row) Pablo Bukata, Robert Lesko, Don Bremer, Jeff Kobe, Mike Kloeckner, Dennis Gifford, Ray Bupta.

Trivia Club. (front row) Heather VanVactor, Mr. Jeff Graves, Vijay Jain. (row 2) Anil Jain, Giri Sehkar. (back row) Jeff Florczak, Morgan Noel, Blase Polite.

Science Club. (front row) Jyoti Vohra. (row 2) Irene Heneta, Noel Javate. (row 3) Anil Jain, Dimitri Arges, Dennis Gifford. (back row) Jeff Kobe, Russ Brackett.

Scuba Club (front row) Robin Nagy, Jeff Graves (row 2) Diane Trgovich, Scott Orr, Donald Williams (row 3) Don Bremer, Robert Berbeco (Back row) Phil Sorak, Dan Porter, Michelle Plantinga.

Bowling Club (front row) Scott Spalding, Charlisa Williams, San Sebastian, Vicky Davis, Gary Levy, Brad Echterling, Debbie Maka (row 2) Christine Carrara, Shelly Springer, David Moore, John Jimenze, Angela Crowel, Deana Baleckaitis, Jean Webber (row 3) Beth Wrona, Anne Marie Bibler, Robert Berbeco, Eric Tester, Jeff Burger, Noel Javate (back row) Dennis Gifford, Steve Dorsey, Rick Vendl, Mike Piet-Raszak, Chrostoph A. Heimermann, Joshua A. King, Joe Krajnik.

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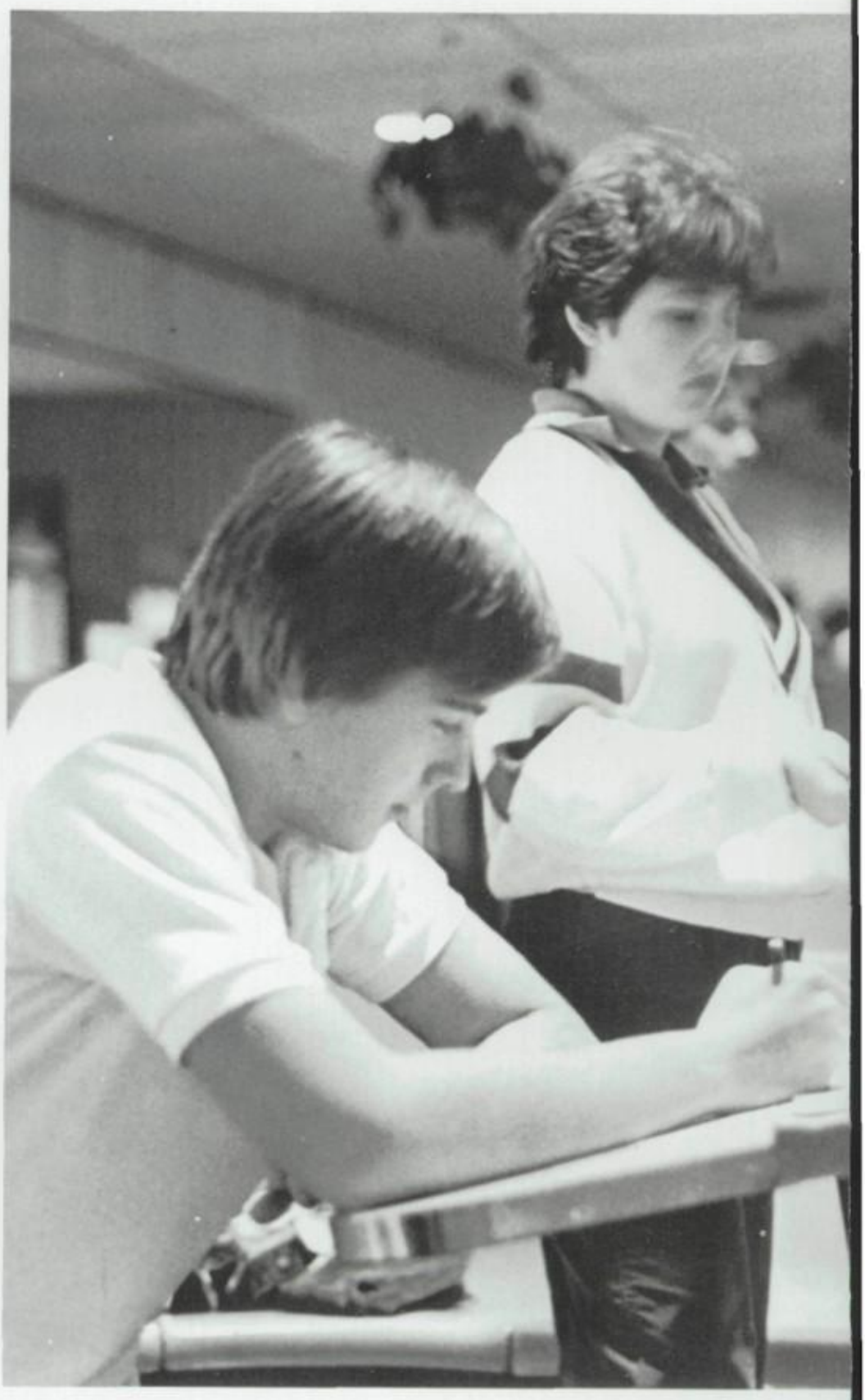


Bowling Club rolls, Scuba Club surfaces to become a part of the

THE *Sporting* LIFESTYLE

Intense practices and stressful competition pressures were not necessary for all academically orientated clubs. Scuba and Bowling Clubs offered more relaxed schedules that gave members the chance to exercise and meet others with the same interests.

Scuba Club provided students who shared a common interest a chance to explore the underwater world, and make new friends. "A lot of kids have an interest in scuba, but you can't dive alone," club sponsor Mr. Jeff Graves, Chemistry teacher, explains. "The club allowed for each member to have a partner to dive with in order to get to know different individuals better."

"Scuba Club gives divers the opportunity to delve in exotic places they might not have a chance to," said club member senior Michelle Plantinga. "I dove with Mr. Graves in Curacao over Christmas vacation which was great because the diving was deep and clear," said sophomore Don Bremer.

For some members, participation provided more than just recreation. Scuba gave them experience that might prove valuable in the future. "As a club member I can prepare myself for a future in Marine Biology," said senior Dan Porter.

While Scuba Club gave members the chance to explore the underwater world, Bowling Club provided a chance to compete in the world of strikes and spares.

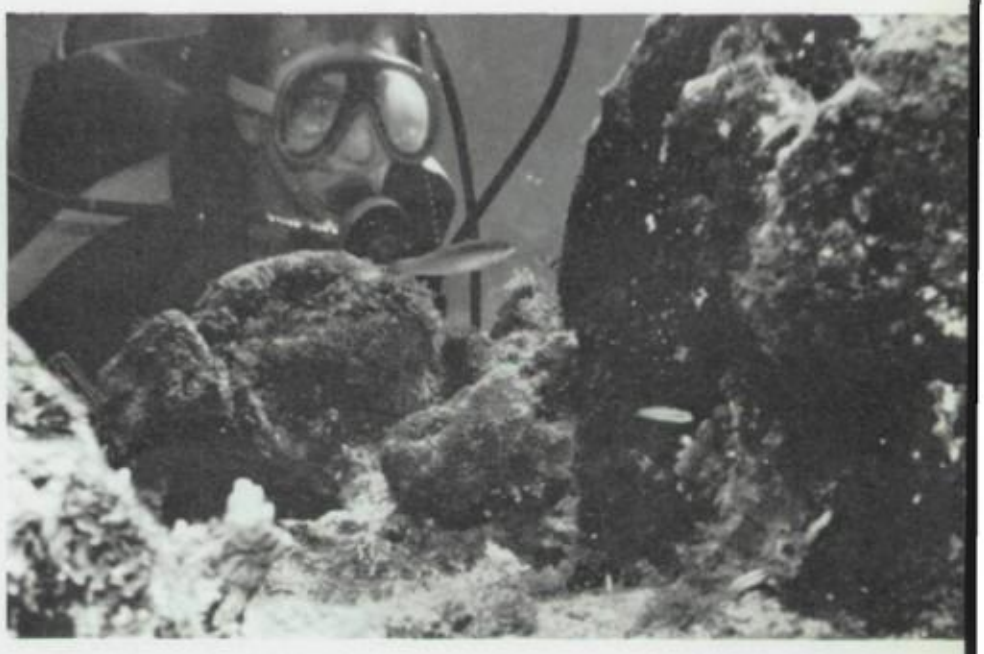
With 60 students, the largest turn out ever, the Bowling Club was an intermural activity for students with less pressure; competing for enjoyment. "The club is a lot of fun because you're competing with friends in a fun type of rivalry," senior Dennis Gifford said.

Twelve to eighteen teams competed each Monday from September through May. The top teams from first and second semesters battled it out at the end of the year for the Bowling Club championship.

Junior Gary Levy led all bowlers with a 180 average score, and no handicap. "Bowling Club gives me something I can do instead of sitting around at home," explained Gary. "It's fun bowling with new people; it makes the sport more enjoyable."

Whether striking for a higher score or diving to the depths of the Caribbean Sea, Scuba and Bowling Club members found a relaxing outlet for their sporting interests.

Rack 'em up
Tallying up the days totals, senior Robert Berbeco and sophomore Debbie Mica finalize the results of the days competition. Efficient score keeping was only one of the responsibilities for members of the Bowling Club.



Bird's eye view
Curacao, with its many scenic attractions offered sophomore Don Bremer an added incentive to keep up his scuba diving hobby. The trip gave Don the chance to scuba in exotic environments.

Rock Bottom
While diving deep beneath the depths of the Carribean, sophomore Don Bremer gets a chance to take a closer look into the underwater world.

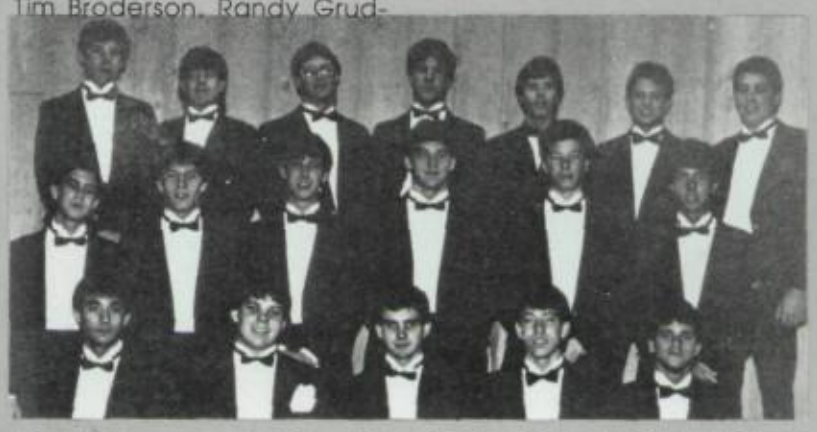
Playing our song
Staying well after class, freshman Dawn Mann performs on the piano for her friends. Extra practice was often required to make certain that choir stayed in tune with each other.

Senior Girls Sextet: (front row) Renee Giragos, Lila Jacobs, Kerry Deignan. (back row) Tyrah Fulkerson, Rosann Tripple, Heather VanVactor.

Senior Girls Ensemble: (front row) Tyrah Fulkerson, Kris Zaun, Elaine Schmidt, Cheryl Cooper, Dana Baker. (row 2) Kerry Deignan, Heather VanVactor, Rosann Tripple, Carolyn Pajor, Renee Giragos, Cathy Cornell. (back row) Kelly Daros, Jen Fraser, Lila Jacobs, Kristen Johns.

Senior Mixed Ensemble: (front row) Kris Zaun, Jay Potasnik, Eve Karras, Jim Reddel, Tyrah Fulkerson, Goran Kralj, Heather VanVactor, Steve Bryant, Cheryl Cooper, Blase Polite. (row 2) Rob Gallo, Dan Porter, Tim Broderson, Randy Grudzinski, Steve McCormik, Chris Gloff, Adam Tavitas, Dan Hollis. (back row) Rosann Tripple, Rhonda Pool, Kerry Deignan, Carolyn Pajor, Elaine Schmidt, Kristen Johns, Lila Jacobs, Renee Giragos.

Junior Girls Ensemble: (front row) Jodie Johnson, Tracy Silverman, Tammy DeReamer, Staci Schatz, Susan Higgins. (row 2) Karen Jurgenson, Kris Siebecker, Camille Saklaczynski, Cally Radunzel, Kathy Romar, Lisa Tilka. (back row) Barb Helms, Jo Mary Crary, Amanda McKinney, Jen Vrlik, Amy Misczak, Andrea Roy, Kristen Haines.



Sophomore-Junior Boys Ensemble: (front row) John Guerra, Mike Brozovic, Tom Johns, Kevin Dillon, Thomas Ellison. (row 2) Ryan Gailmard, Jim Dryjanski, Jim Karr, Bill Melby, Owen Deignan, David Beriger. (back row) Art Thompson, Scott Brakebill, Jason Ryband, Larry Wiley, Pat Schreiner, Tim Dillon, Doug Johnson.

Senior Boys Ensemble: (front row)Tim Broderson, Tony Hanas, Jay Potasnik, Dan Porter, Goran Kralj. (row 2) Blase Polite, Randy Grudzinski, Bill Dodd, Rob Gallo, Dan Hollis. (back row) Steve Bryant, Jim Reddel, Steve McCormik, Chris Gloff, Adam Tavitas.

Sophomore Girls Ensemble: (front row) Kim Szala, Pam Pool, Heather Fesko, Ann Marie McCarthy. (row 2) Gina Wlazik, Stephanie McNary, Melissa Klee, Darlene Kender. (back row) Dana Richardson, Leslie Schoon, Tori Szurgot.

THE Performing LIFESTYLE

demands more than song, dance

Students shed their inhibitions and sharpened musical talents in choir class. Ensembles provided those who wanted an opportunity to sing for others with extra recognition for their abilities.

Members of the seven ensemble groups practiced for long hours to be the best. "Students need a good voice and a dedication to singing," stated ensemble director, Mr. Richard Holmberg.

Formally dressed in black, white and red, the girls and guys sang for a variety of organizations and people. "I like singing in front of people, especially during the holidays. It seemed to get everybody in the Christmas spirit," stated Kim Szala, sophomore ensemble member.

After weeks of practicing, many students faced the first time jitters of performing in front of people. "I was really nervous," said John Guerra, junior ensemble member, "But after the first time of facing the crowd, it became easier to get up in front of an audience the second time."

Besides just singing, students profitted in many ways by being an ensemble member. "I learned how to read music and I also learned how to work with people," explained Dana Richardson, sophomore ensemble member.

Not only were new techniques learned, but student satisfaction was met. "I think ensembles gives me a feeling of self-fullfillment," reflected Blase Polite, senior ensemble member.

Students had different reasons for liking choir. "I like choir because I like to sing and work with people to get things done," stated Elaine Schmidt, senior ensemble member. "Not only do I like to sing, but choir is a change of pace from the rest of the day," added Steve McCormick, senior ensemble member.

From long hours of practice to singing in front of an audience for the first time, ensemble members faced the beginnings of a performing life.

Sharp Dressed Man
Straightening his bow tie before he hits the stage, senior Bill Dodd pauses to make sure his tuxedo looks perfect. Performing in formal wear has been a long-lasting tradition for Ensembles.

All dressed up . . .
Swinging and swaying, the senior Mixed Ensembles groove through a version of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." These and other yuletide favorites were performed at the Choir Department's Annual Holiday Concert.

Practice makes perfect
Weighed down by his saxophone, freshman Brian Mohr makes sure he plays the right notes while looking at his music. By playing with the brass section, he does his part in the bands performance.

Band (front row) Kathy Hughes, Rea robinson, Chris Smith, Laura Siska, Peter Wolf, Eric Holtan, Mike Jen. (row 2) Micheal Orosco, Chris Gross, Mary Anthony, Donald Williams, Greg Kocal, Eric Schwartz. (row 3) Paul Buyer, Dan Colbert, James Huang, Mike Gustaitis, Rick Fox, Kathy Sims. (back row) Bill Slosser, Robert Lesko, Steve Jones, Eric Parker, John Novak, Jeff Burger, Christian Gloff.

Band (front row) Kelly Cronin, Tracy Laskowski, Kristin Johns, Christy Rossa, Louise Anddreani, Barbara Rajkowski, Rob Golden. (row 2) Ellen Blackmun, Deborah Bachan, Erica Mowitz, Elana Stern, Kristi Seliger, Julie Walther, Karen Lesko. (row 3) Lisa Jabaay, William Weaver, Mary Hoekema, Carl VanSesus, Amelia Noel, Brian Mohr, Debbie Buono. (back row) Adam Dumaresq, Dave Ensley, Erika Frederick, Tom Hudec, Tim Ghrist, John Lichtle, Mike Kennedy.

Orchestra (front row) Eileen Hahn, Russ Rackett, Caroline Toth. (back row) Rob Zando, Charles Mickel, Chie Itoh.

THE Performing LIFESTYLE

Lets students shine while in the spotlight

Noisy crowds and queasy stomachs were all part of the performing life which many students participated in. Organizations such as Band and Orchestra met the task of entertaining people.

Members of Band and Orchestra were faced with hours of practice and hard work. "You have to put so much time into band," stated Chris Smith, junior, "but eventually it pays off in the end and it's very satisfying."

Dedication and long hours paid off when they earned seven first place honors in state and second place honors at Indiana School Music Association (ISMA) on April 11.

Just like any other organization, Band held fundraisers, such as car washes and bake sales to raise money for the contests they attended. "Without the money we make from fundraisers it would be impossible to travel," said senior Elana Stern.

Orchestra performed for people at the spring and winter concerts. Members of the orchestra put forth much effort and dedication in order to meet their personal goals and to perform well. "For concerts, we learn the music during the hour. Then we are expected to perfect it at home," stated sophomore Eileen Hahn.

Despite the performing jitters and long hours, students felt that being a part of the performing life brought about elation and satisfaction when the job was done and they were out of the glare from the spotlight.

Keeping in step
While marching in the Homecoming parade junior Chris Smith leads the band. The drum major had many responsibilities, which included conducting the band at many performances.

It takes two
As they prepare for their performances, Chie Itoh, sophomore, and Robert Zando, junior, rehearse their number for an upcoming concert. The orchestra presents both a Holiday and a Spring Concert throughout the year.

THE Performing LIFESTYLE
helps Flags, Poms strive for perfection

Flag Corps and Pom Poms also had the task of entertaining. Colorful flags twirling to the Band and red, white, and black pom poms keeping beat with the latest tune was the sight at every home game for half-time entertainment.

The Flag Corps put many long hours of practice in under the direction of Mr. Andrew Norman, Band Director. According to junior Allison Potts, coordination and rhythm were the key factors to being in Flags. "Some people think that twirling a flag was really easy, but it took a lot or rhythm and coordination. People have many misconceptions."

Duties of the Flag Corps included marching in the Homecoming parade and peforming with the Band at home football and basketball games' half-times.

For tryouts, Flag members performed in groups of three in front of a group of three judges. "We practiced for two weeks and when it was time, we were nervous, but we all made it," said sophomore Danielle Hybiak, Flag Corps member.

Pom Pom squad members, under the direction of Miss Marcia Karnes, also had to practice for long hours to perfect their routines. "Practices were three to five days a week and two hours each. During the practices we learned and perfected routines to be performed at home games," said Kim Vickers, junior squad member.

The Pom Pom squad performed routines choreographed by squad officers to "pop" music. "It's really hard to find songs that have a good beat and come up with a new and different routine every week," stated junior Tracy Silverman, lieutenant.

Pom Pom tryouts consisted of four girls performing two routines, one they were taught and one they choreographed, in front of seven judges. The judges scored the girls' ability and composure, as well as their smiles while performing.

The Pom Pom girls are also required to attend all away football and basketball games. "It's hard to attend every game, especially when it's raining or cold. However, the players can count on us to be there to cheer them on, no matter what," said junior Jodie Johnson, lieutenant.

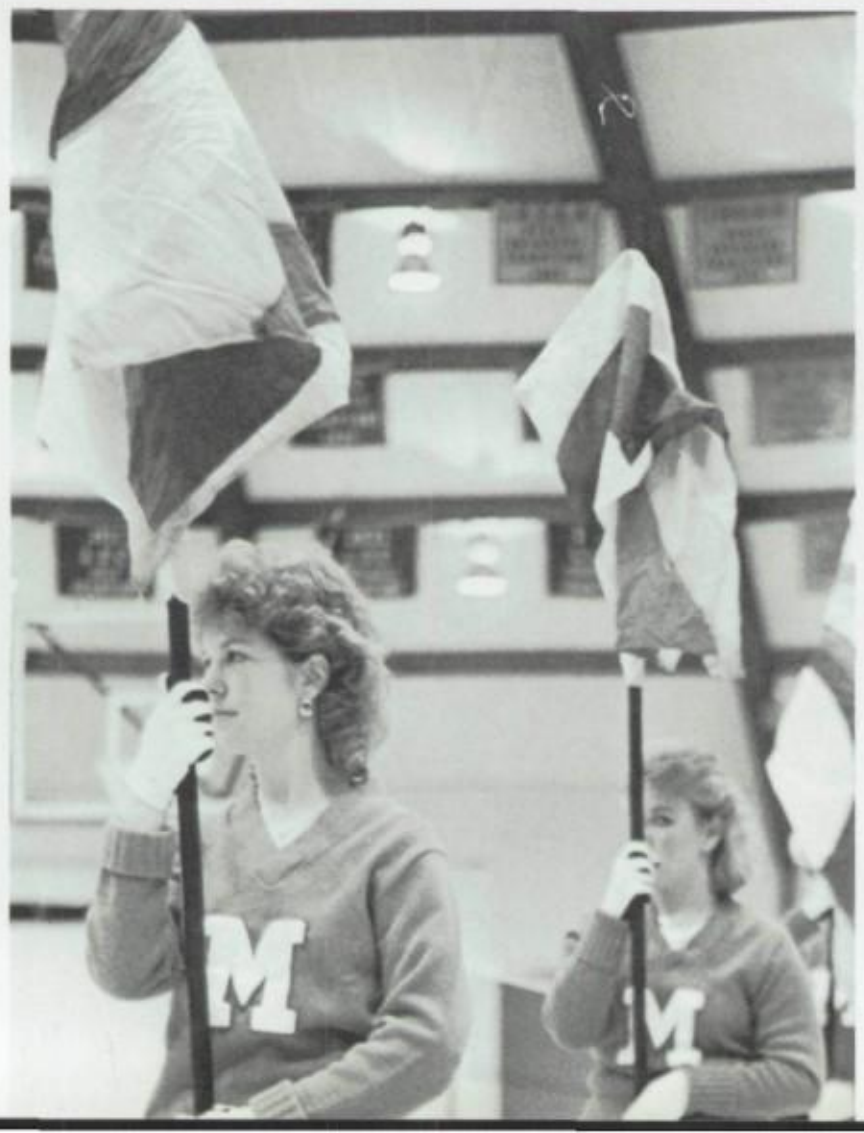
When the flags and pom poms were put away until the next game, the girls felt good with a job well done in keeping the fans entertained. The "Performing Life" kept the girls of the Flag Corps and Pom Pom Squad on their toes and ready to go.

Hut 2, 3, 4
Intent on keeping their lines straight, juniors Tracy Silverman, Stacy Franciskovich, Cindy Michel, Jodi Clapman, and Jodie Johnson march down Ridge Road during the Homecoming parade. The Pom Pom Squad performed at the pep rally and during half-time of the Homecoming football game against Calumet.

Keeping the beat
With a smile on her face and enthusiasm in her eyes, junior Stacy Franciskovich performs a routine to "Rock in America" by Night Ranger during half-time of the Griffith football game. The Pom Pom Squad practiced almost every day to perfect routines for home football and basketball games.

Flag Corps (front row) Sharon Murphy, Jenny Victor, Kim Flickinger, Jodi Quasney, Michelle Ingram.(row two) Nola Golubiewski, Joann Clements, Renee Maxin, Allison Potts, Marybeth Agness, Jenny Remmers. (back row) Danielle Hybiak, Amy Gifford, Cathi Cak, Jennifer Uzubell, Carlene Whitlow.

Pom Poms (front row) Cindy Michel, Donna Gladish, Lila Jacobs, Kim Terandy, Tracy Silverman. (row two) Kim Kumiega, Katy Carroll, Cari VanSenus, Amanda McKinney, Amy Gluth. (row three) Jenn Brtos, Kim Koziatek, Jodie Johnson, Stacy Fraciskovich, Jodi Clapman. (back row) Raquel Matthews, Beth Stover, Tiffanie Slathar, Kimberly Vickers, Dana Baker.



Attention!
In line for the Pledge of Allegiance, juniors Allison Potts and Renee Maxin stand totally still during pre-game of the Griffith basketball game. The Flag Corps was a common site at half-time during basketball season.

Hold that pose
Keeping a flag salute, senior Michelle Ingram, captain, and sophomore Danielle Hybiak stand at attention during the opening ceremonies of Homecoming football game. The Flag Corps entertained the fans before the game and during halftime.

THE *Performing* LIFESTYLE

Limbers up skills under the lights

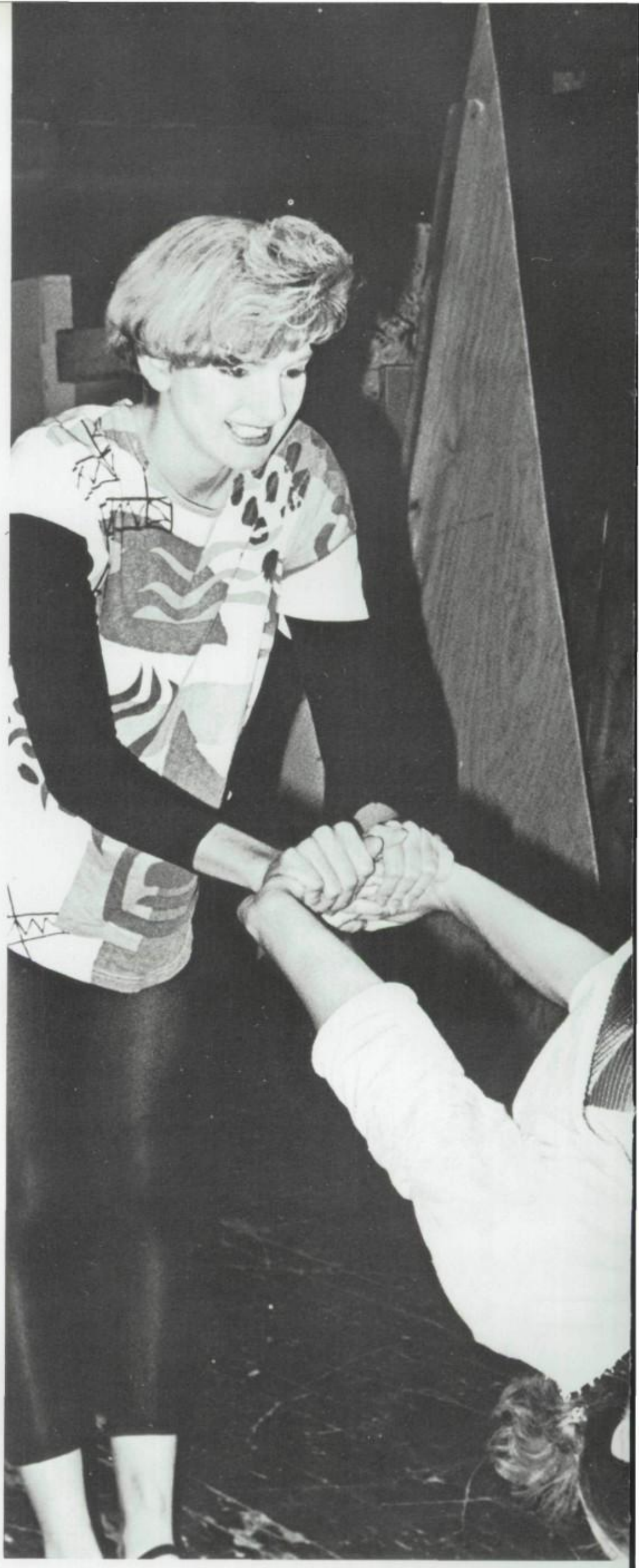
Drama Club members survived first-time jitters of performing and the grueling duties behind the stage. From the smallest role to the largest lead, it was all part of the "Performing Life."

"Drama Club is a beginning aspect to the art of drama. It readies a person for the stage and it's a good start for the young actors and actresses just coming into the world of drama," stated Mr. Gregg Ladd, drama teacher.

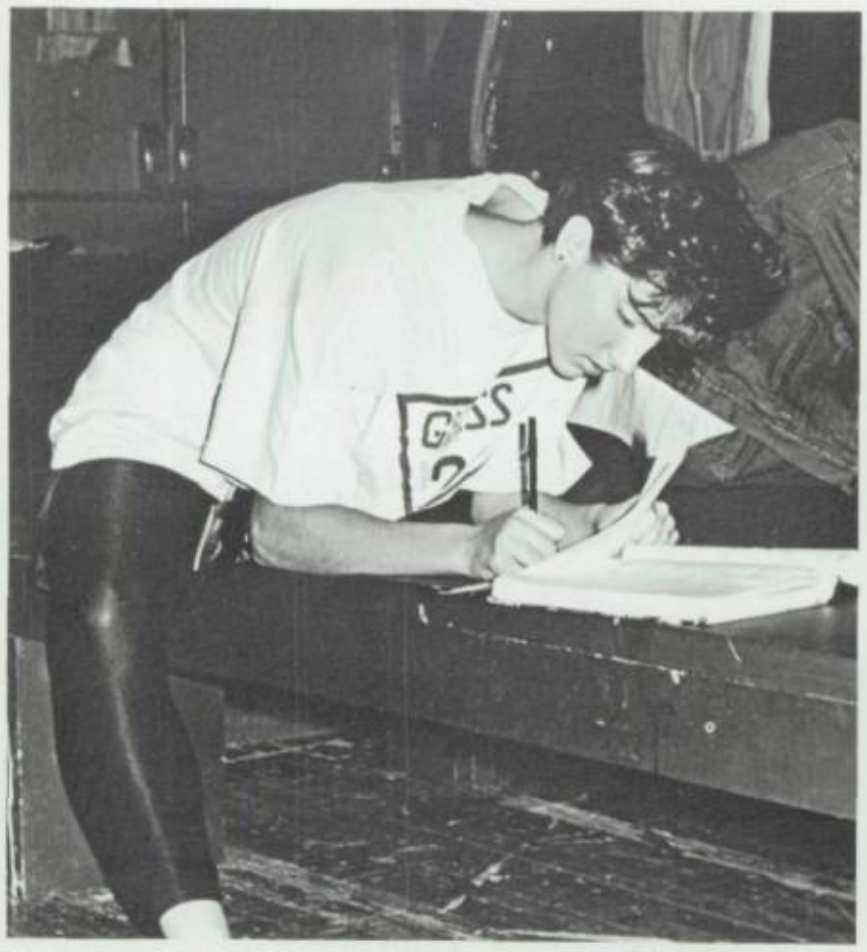
Beginning members of the club aimed for a higher lever of achievement. Being a Thespian was the next step up from being in the Drama Club. Points were awarded for stage appearances and other outside-of-school drama activities which moved members closer to their goal of becoming a Thespian. An accumulation of 35 points enabled one to join the honored ranks. One point was awarded for a walk-on, two for a small part, four for a medium role, and five points for a lead.

Drama Club was also made up of people who dealt with the technical aspects of the stage. These people built sets, controlled lighting, and directed the behind-the-scenes work done during the plays "Fame," "The Man Who Came to Dinner," and "The Curious Savage." "The technical work is also a part of the play. Actors and actresses are not the only people in a play. Without us backstage, the play would be virtually useless, in a sense," explained junior Michael Moses.

When the lights dimmed and all was quiet, a feeling of accomplishment and joy filled the performers. Fast-paced and grueling, the "Performing Life" took its toll on newcomers and Thespians alike, yet the feeling of being in the limelight helped make up for all the sacrifices.



"Rubber-band" flexibility
Stretching her muscles, sophomore Leslie Schoon and junior Sally Brennan get prepared to go on stage for the play, "Fame." Keeping muscles limber helps avoid injury and allows the dancer to perform well.



Never falling behind
Doing homework while waiting to go on stage, sophomore Tammy Hollis prepares for the "Fame" dress rehearsal. Spare moments were often spent doing homework during play rehearsals to lessen the load.

Places please
While reading their lines and going over stage placement, senior Chris Gloff and junior Terry Kish get the feel of the play "The Man Who Came to Dinner." "Blocking," or stage placement, is important so the actors know where to go at any given moment while rehearsing or performing.

Drama Club. (front row) Dana Richardson, Kristen Walter, Lisa Fehring, Amy Warda, Robert Molnar, Sara Abbott, Jeanine Berkowicz. (row two) Sara Kosenka, Dana Rothschild, Andrea Fefferman, Bronwyn Billings, Tammy Hollis, Sally Brennan, Scott Reaubenne. (row three) Katie Fleming, Robin Fandrei, Leslie Schoon, Tommy Johns, Aimee Orr, Becca Ochstein. (back row) Christian Gloff, Don Williams, Laura Stover, Cally Raduenzel, Dindy Auburn, Catherine Cak, Kimberly Vickers.

Drama Club. (front row) Rebecca Sims, Mia Song, Jennifer Gershman, Cindy Michel, Sean Scheffer, Nikki Gardberg. (row two) Marybeth Arent, Mary Blaesing, Jules Slater, Jo Galvin, Christy Szala, Laura Dunn, Vicky Vrable. (row three) Kristin Johns, Missy Johnson, Tori Szurgot, Saralie Harakovich, Gene Chang, DeAnna Ryband. (back row) Marcia LaMantia, Mike Moses, Amanda McKinney, Cheryl Cooper, Shiva Ojah, Kari Shapiro, Todd Rokita.

Waiting for the cue
Reading along during rehearsal, senior Roseann Trippel waits for the cue on her entrace. Timing on entrances had to be just right, so the mood of the scene wasn't broken.

Hours of practice, extra effort help 'best of the best' reach new heights as they rise

Above THE CROWD

Lost in a a sea of over 1200 people, students sometimes felt like just another face in a crowd. But select members of some groups somehow managed to rise above the crowd, and through extra time and hard work, proved they were a rare breed.

National Honor Society (NHS), Thespians, and Quill and Scroll had members who were recognized as the "best of the best" in those academic organizations.

NHS recognized outstanding academic achievement, and involvement in extracurricular activities. Consideration for NHS induction required a 4.2 grade point average (GPA), and an accumulation of 36 activity points achieved from participation in various clubs, sports, or community services. With 33 members, NHS was comparitively smaller than in previous years. "Academically there were many students who were able to become accepted into the club, but they either did not participate in other school activities or they just did not choose to fill out the requirement forms," Guidance counselor and NHS club sponsor Mrs. Marsha Weiss explained.

Another club of honored students described by "hard work" and "dedication" by sponsor Mr. Gregg Ladd were the Thespians. Stage crew members, actresses and actors who acquired points for either performances, crew work or other theatrical activities, were initiated into the Thespian society. "Being a Thespian is important because you become recognized as an experienced member of the Drama Club, rewarding all the time and effort given to the theatre," Thespian Jennifer Frankovich, junior, said.

"Thespians receive much prestige and honor," explained Thespian and Drama Club sponsor Mr. Gregg Ladd, "but they must live up to the reputation by working hard and dedicating themselves to the theater."

"Learning about backstage, scenery, make-up and technical work is important for a well-rounded Thespian," added junior Jeff Strater. "It is a lot of work but the satisfaction you receive when the finished production comes out makes it worth the long process of becoming a Thespian."

Standing out within the chaos of the Pub is difficult. However, those students who managed to excell in either yearbook or newspaper became noted members of Quill and Scroll.

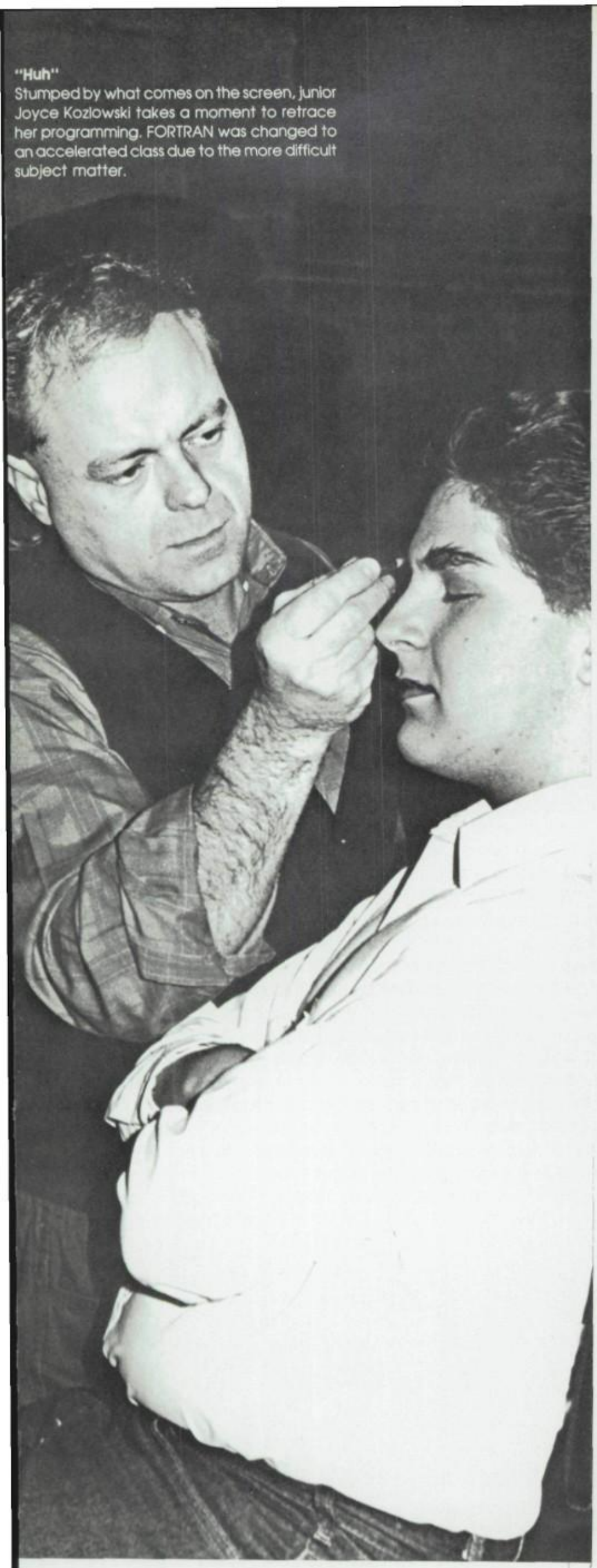
Membership rules required that students rank academically in the top third of their class, as well as having contributed outstanding quality work in student publications. "Quill and Scroll recognition is an honor because it is an internationally recognized achievement for high school students," said Mrs. Nancy Hastings, journalism adviser.

This became only one of the reasons for excitement in receiving this award. As Crier Viewpoint editor Amy Zajac, senior, explained, "I am glad my love for writing has been noticed."

As a part of these groups, students proved they could rise above the crowd. With extra effort they not only accomplished what they set out to do, but they also received recognition along the way.

It's like this
Fulfilling his tutoring reqirements, NHS member Rob Lesko, senior, assists senior Ken Babjak in solving chemistry equations. Before and after school tutoring was available throughout the year for any student requiring assistance.

"Huh"
Stumped by what comes on the screen, junior Joyce Kozlowski takes a moment to retrace her programming. FORTRAN was changed to an accelerated class due to the more difficult subject matter.



Finishing touches
To enhance his appearance under the bright stage lights, junior Bob Molnar receives the finishing touches on his eyebrows by Mr. Gregg Ladd, director. Participation in plays earned potential Thespian needed points.

Thespians. (front row) Holly Harle, Sue Higgins, Jennifer Frankovich, Tyrah Fulkerson, Rhonda Pool, Barb Helms (row 2) Tricia Camino, Kerry Deignan, Heather VanVactor, Jeff Strater, Brenda Van Orman. (row 3) Chris Gloff, Brian Zemaitis, Kris Siebecker, Marvin Mickow, Blase Polite, Renee Giragos. (back row) Gina Nicosia, Heather Fesko, Karen Kunkel, Craig Scott, Dejan Kralj, Kevin Bomberger, Gina Wlazik.

National Honor Society. (front row) Emily Chua, Holly Harle, Lila Jacobs, Kristi Seliger, Jenny Koo, Veena Jain. (row 2) Heather VanVactor, Colleen Murphy, Cathy Labitan, Lisa Thomas, Christy Thill, Barb Payne. (row 3) Jodi Quasney, Nicole Rittenmeyer, Beth Sack, Adam Tavitas, Anil Jain, Rhonda Pool. (row 4) Cindy Roh, Carolyn Bradley, Kathy Sims, Blase Polite, Giri Sekhar, Nicole Finwall. (back row) Christine Bokeck, Ted Sri, Rob Lesko, Jeff Kobe, John Burson, Morgan Noel, Russ Brackett.

Quill and Scroll. (front row) Christy Thill, Michele Sus, Amy Zajac, Veena Jain. (back row) Ted Sri, Tim Lusk, Amy Paulson, Tom Kieltyka.

Nerve-racking decisions left Paragon to wonder

IS THERE LIFE AFTER *Deadline*

Remotely tucked in the farthest corner of the South Building lies the "Pub." Here, Crier and Paragon staff members frantically paced themselves to meet deadlines.

The very mention of "deadlines" struck fear into the hearts of both Crier and Paragon staff members. As the deadline dates approached, the Pub went into a frenzy. Discipline and responsibility were quickly learned in order to survive and meet a deadline. "I had no idea what I was in for. I thought yearbook was a blow-off class. However, I learned quickly that wasn't so," stated junior Mike Mertz, sports writer.

Organization was also a key factor in making the deadly date. As Student Life Assistant Amanda Hamilton, junior, explained, "The pressure was a good learning experience. I know how to be more organized in my other classes and budget my time wisely instead of waiting for the last minute."

For Paragon and and Crier, Sept. 7 wasn't the start of the publication. Planning began in mid-July at the Ball State University Journalism Workshop. Seminars provided advice and techniques for early planning and preparation of a school publication. Besides journalism work, there were dances, swimming and the opportunity for new friendships. "I had a great time there. I learned a lot more about journalism, and I also had fun participating and watching all of the activities that were available. The best part was all of the new friendships I was able to make," stated senior Marvin Mickow, Front Page Editor of Crier.

Crier, the bi-monthly newspaper, was a non-stop committment for staff members. The bi-weekly routine began on Tuesdays with beat news meetings to discuss story ideas and topics to cover in the next issue. The following day, Wednesday, Editorial Board (EB) meetings took place to discuss specific coverage ideas. On Thursdays, the staff completed paste-ups, and finished the work at the printer in Calumet City. "We've hit the extremes with printer. Early in the year we left printer after midnight, went out to eat and came home at about 2 a.m. In January, we made a turn around by leaving printer at 8:30 p.m., going out to eat at a reasonable time and coming home before Ted Kopel aired on Nightline," senior Ted Sri, editor-in-chief, explained.

On the other hand, Paragon arrived in August, so staff members scurried to meet monthly deadlines throughout the year. "There was a lot of pressure to keep up with past years' standards. Putting the ladder together, which is a page by page list of every story in the book, entailed a lot of work and long hours. The best way for me to keep everything on track is to be organized," stated senior Amy Paulson, Paragon editor-in-chief.

In order to keep staff members on their toes and to see that everything was turned in on time, Paragon editors issued the dreaded "blue sheets." "We handed out blue sheets to anyone who missed any part of the deadline. Whenever anyone heard the words blue sheet, they thought of me because I threatened peo-

Think about it
To organize yearbook coverage, seniors Amy Paulson, editor-in-chief, Mary Myer, managing editor, and Tim Lusk, copy editor, put their thoughts together to decide what should go where. Putting the yearbook together takes a long time and a lot of team effort.

Paragon. (front row) Toula Kounelis, Jen Moser, Colleen Murphy, Amy Cohen, Kavita Patel, Stacy Franciskovich, Laura McGill, Staci Schatz. (row two) Mrs. Nancy Hastings, Tom Boyden, Tricia Camino, Renee Maxin, Sally Brennan, Amanda Hamilton, Kris Zaun, Eve Karras. (row three) Elana Stern, Amy Paulson, Paula Saks, Lori Anderson, Carolyn Bradley, Lisa Dywan. (row four) Mary Myer, Kristi Dunn, Mitch Gardberg, Tom Kieltyka, Terry Kish, Beth Stover, Heather VanVactor, Kristin Sanek. (back row) Jen Paulson, Tom Arcella, Tom Fierek, Brendan McCormack, Tim Lusk, Kevin Dillon, Mike Mertz, Rob Blackford, Randy Gluth.

Crier. (front row) Veena Jain, Michelle Sus, Pete Arethas, Julie Bacino, Karen Gronek, Sue Anasewicz, Dianna Holler. (row two) Mike Gozdecki, Julie Gorski, Gregg Schwartz, Jean Morgan, Amy Zajac, Nicole Rittenmeyer, Mrs. Nancy Hastings. (row three) Todd Rokita, Jennifer Frankovich, Conrad Almase, Amanda McKinney, Christy Thill, Roz Lambert, Elaine McMahan. (row four) Randy Cook, Tina Nowak, Ray Gupta, Ted Sri, Don Yang, Swamy Nagubadi, David McMahon. (back row) Mike Mellon, Josh King, Mike Chronowski, Morgan Noel, Marvin Mickow, Gretchen Gardener, Mark Saks.

Tough choice
While looking over pictures, senior Amy Paulson, editor-in-chief of Paragon, decides which picture would be best for an upcoming deadline. Photo editing required an eye trained on content and quality.

Dire deliemma
Usually seen with pen in hand, senior Carolyn Bradley, photo editor, assigns photographers to take pictures. With so many photos to be taken, it took good organization and patients to keep the system working smoothly.

IS THERE LIFE AFTER *Deadline*

Paste-up pressures panic staffers

ple with them," said senior Mary Myer, Paragon managing editor.

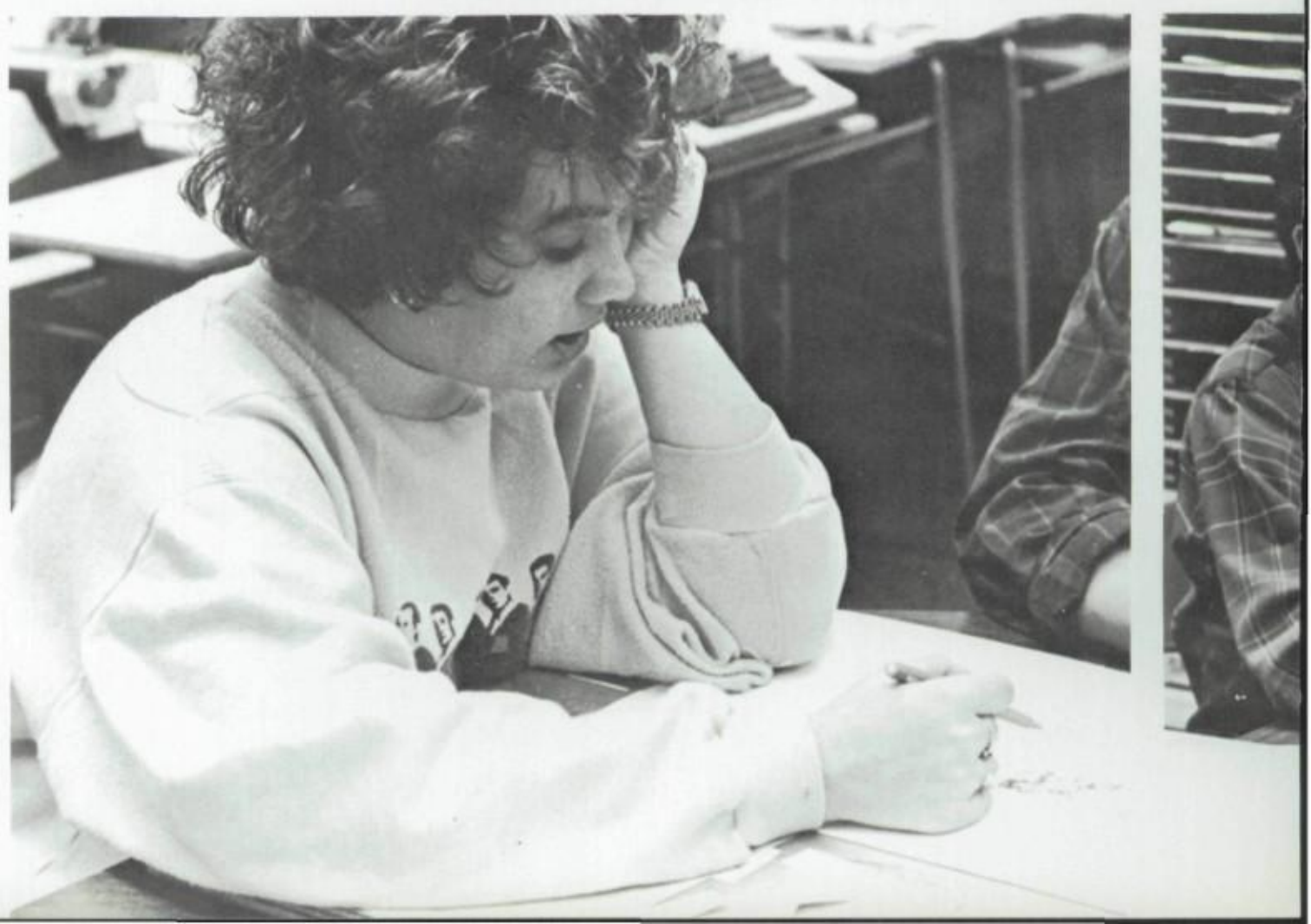
Life in the Pub was not all pressure and deadlines. A wall-decorating war began between Crier and Paragon members in the room. Items in the Pub ranged from a "Herb" poster from Burger King to a true-to-life size poster of Marilyn Monroe.

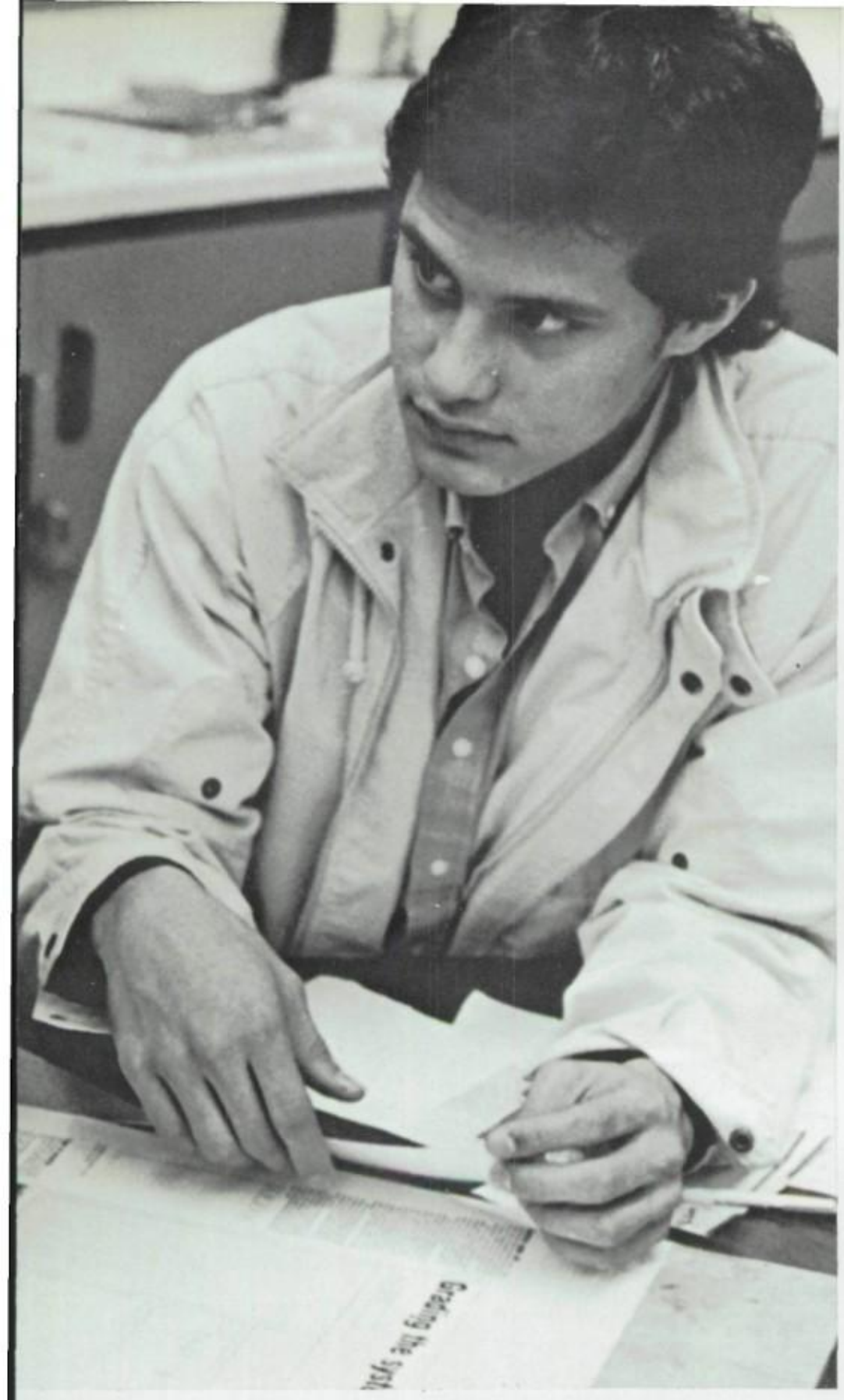
Also decorating the Pub walls were photos of different staff members which contained a caption written by the wicked pen of senior Tim Lusk, Paragon copy editor. "I didn't mean to offend anyone with a caption. True, they were all in poor taste, yet some were very true!" Tim stated.

The Pub proved itself to be anything but normal. One more added touch were strange parties, ranging from Crier's annual "Blueberry Festival," where food, hair and clothing were blue, to Paragon's "Christmas-in-October" party.

One of the most asked questions in the room became "Why do people abuse themselves like this?" "I do this because it is a creative outlet. It's also fun to be a big shot. Besides, it's great being the only male in the Pub on those late nights," concluded Tim.

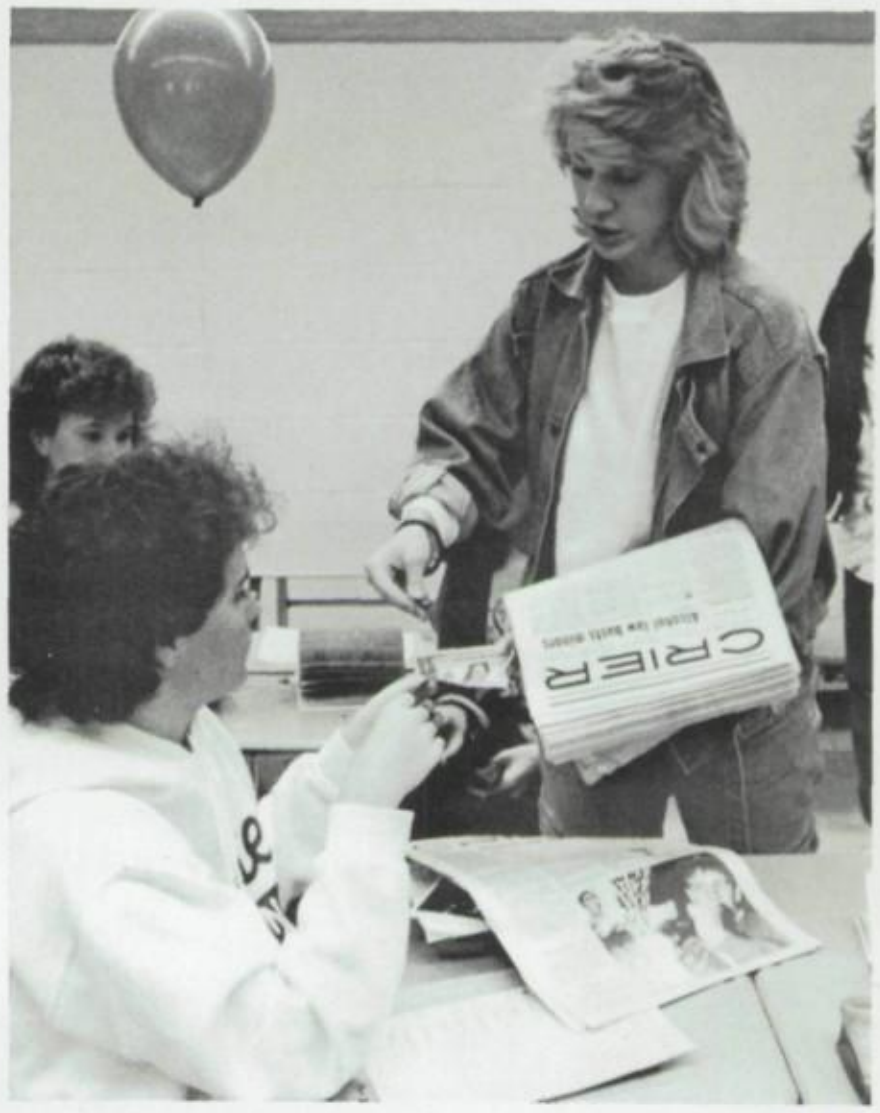
Piecing it together
Contemplating a page design, junior Jennifer Frankovich, design editor, has the duty of making things fit on the page. Paste-ups are just one of the many duties of a design editor.





Making it fit
Faced with a problem of having to cut six inches off the front page story, seniors Christy Thill, managing editor, and Ted Sri, editor-in-chief, confront an uncooperative front page design. Editors often found themselves revamping stories and page designs on paste-up day to make all materials fit in the allotted space.

Still only 25 cents
With Criers in hand, senior Tina Nowak, photographer, makes a sale which will contribute to the papers $480 per issue printing budget. Crier sales helped keep the publication coming to the students twice a month on time.



Check and re-check
Paper sales do not only consist of selling in classes. It all starts in the "Pub." Juniors, Pete Arethas, sports writer, and Mark Saks, business manager, check over and sort the papers before distribution.

Opposing forces
Lost in debate, seniors Heather VanVactor, assistant copy editor, and Tim Lusk, copy editor, stand firm on their word choice. Staffers often found themselves rewriting copy two or three times to meet the set standards.

Top of the line . . . Outstanding . . . Final grade-A+. Doing it all for students, "service with a smile" kicked in on the first day of school. Teachers and administration worked to help students make the transition from summertime fun to the seriousness of school. Students enrolling in the "selective service" could be found notetaking in Government or struggling over the Junior English term paper. For the "service-wise" aspirant for those pursuing an advanced level. Students could be found chopping Advanced Biology and A.P. Chemistry proved to be a welcome challenge in Foods or nursing a hard boiled egg in Child Development. Chicken Such "soft serve" classes digested easily in a well-rounded schedule.

Allowing students to have it their way, school provided services wide enough to interest everyone. Whether required, advanced or elective, there was but one way to evaluate the school's scholastic menu:

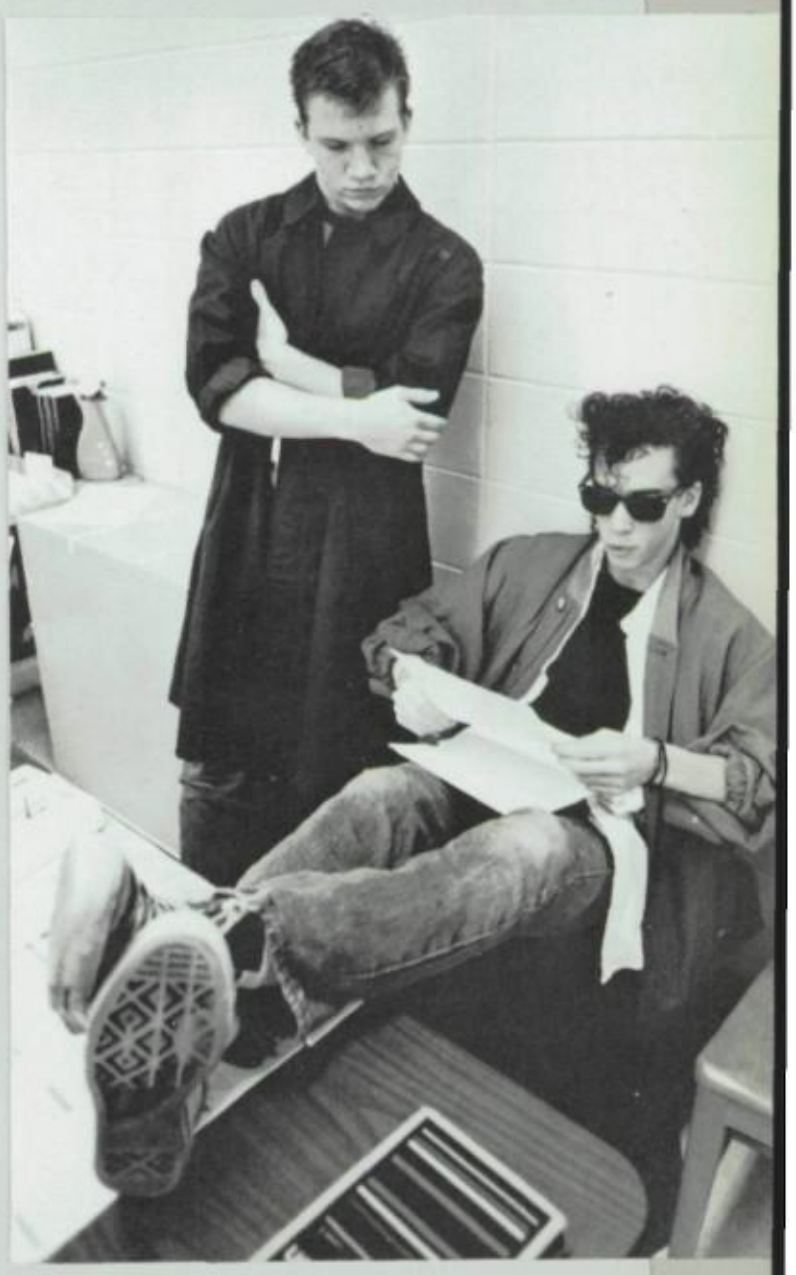
A + service

Resting reader

Oblivious to the events around him, senior Tim Lusk substitutes the library floor for a mattress as he reads about Japanese folk stories. Whether finishing last-minute homework or just pleasure-seeking, students found 1,001 uses for the Resource Center.

Teamwork

With a helping hand from sophomore Aileen Han, Mary Tabion, sophomore, works on the day's Algebra 2 assignment. Impromptu tutoring was a welcome advantage for confused students.



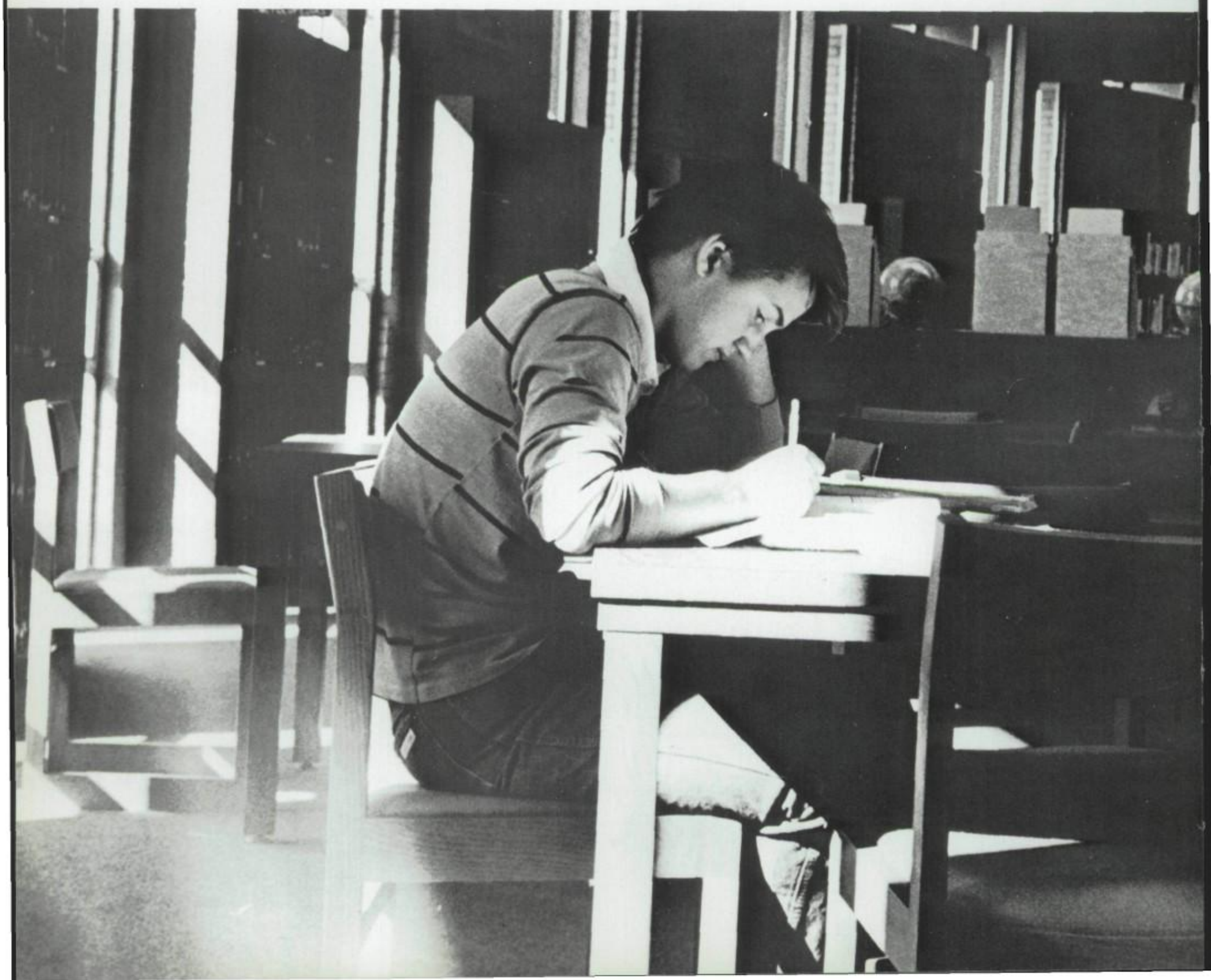
No sweat

Laid-back and loose, juniors Cubby Harding and Eric Diamond take the relaxed approach to giving their oral report in English class. Group work helped relieve the burden of students researching and presenting projects.

Lab work
Carefully working out the chemistry equations, junior Kristen Rittenmeyer works to finish a lab. Chemistry teachers require that students show their work on the back of the lab sheets.

Dot-to-dot
Bent over her homework, junior Jenn Brtos plots out graphs in Algebra 2. Making constructions and drawing graphs, as well as solving equations, were many of the tasks in required math classes.

Playing the market
Stocks move up and down and the fortunes of economic students move with them as the stock game progresses. Seniors Mitch Gardberg and George Smith consult stock market quotations to record any daily fluctuations in the stocks they chose.



Name, rank, serial number equals year full of fulfilled obligations

SELECTIVE SERVICE

In most jobs, you are going to have to write . . . Comp helps you to perfect your writing skills.
senior Dana Baker

"I hate taking out the trash," muttered Joe as he took the usual garbage run to the curb on Sunday night. "I don't like when people make me do menial tasks."

Students realized home wasn't the only place where things had to be done. Required classes also fell into this category.

Students had to take four years of English plus one semester of speech; two years each of math, science and social studies; one year each of U.S. history and gym; plus one semester of health and safety. According to Miss Annette Wisniewski, guidance counselor, "We have required classes so that every student has a firm foundation in these basic subjects."

Required classes also taught students skills to prepare them for their future. "Gym taught me to cooperate with other people. It may come in handy when working with future business associates," stated Amy Gluth, junior.

"In most jobs, you are going to have to write something sooner or later. Comp helps you to perfect your writing skills and to write better," senior Dana Baker said.

Some teachers agreed required classes prepared students for dealing with conflicts they might encounter later in life. According to health and safety instructor Mr. Jack King, "Health and Safety teaches students things they do not make decisions on now, but may have to later, such as nutrition or treating children's illnesses."

However, there were still other values

Early bird
Highlighted by the morning sunlight, senior Ryan Boyd uses his spare time to complete his unfinished homework. Mandatory classes sometimes required a little extra time in learning the lessons.

Second that motion
Taking control, sophomores Anthony Powell, Rich Myer and junior Karen Jurgenson lead the Parliamentary Procedure exercise in speech class.

SELECTIVE SERVICE cont.

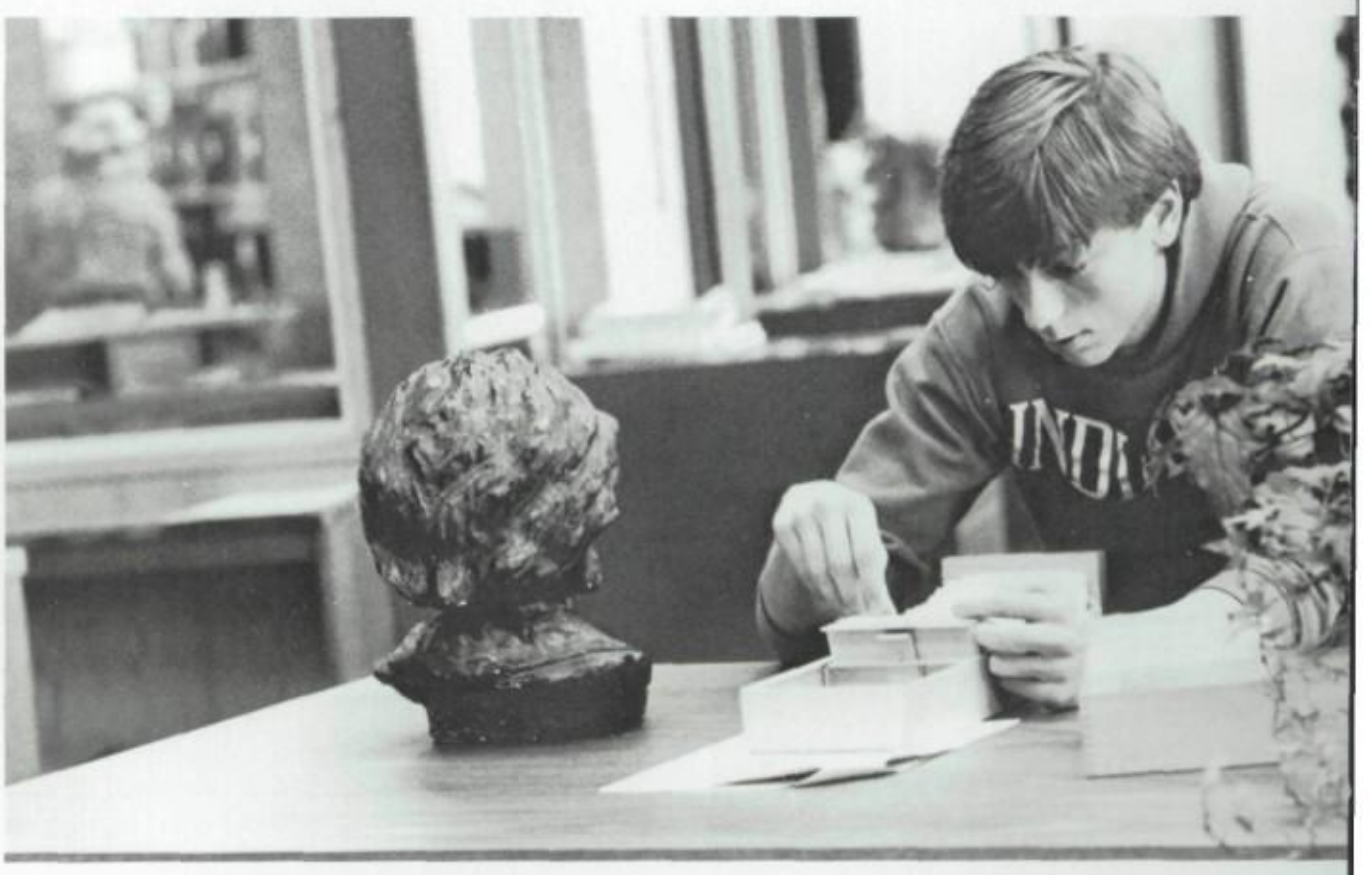
to be learned in mandatory classes. "It is important for every student to have an appreciation and understanding of past events in our society to better understand the present and the future they will shape," Mr. Tom Whiteley, U.S. History teacher explained.

A few students felt required courses would help them resolve more personal conflicts. Senior Lila Jacobs said, "Government gave me a general knowledge of how our government system works. It will become more useful when I choose who would best run our country."

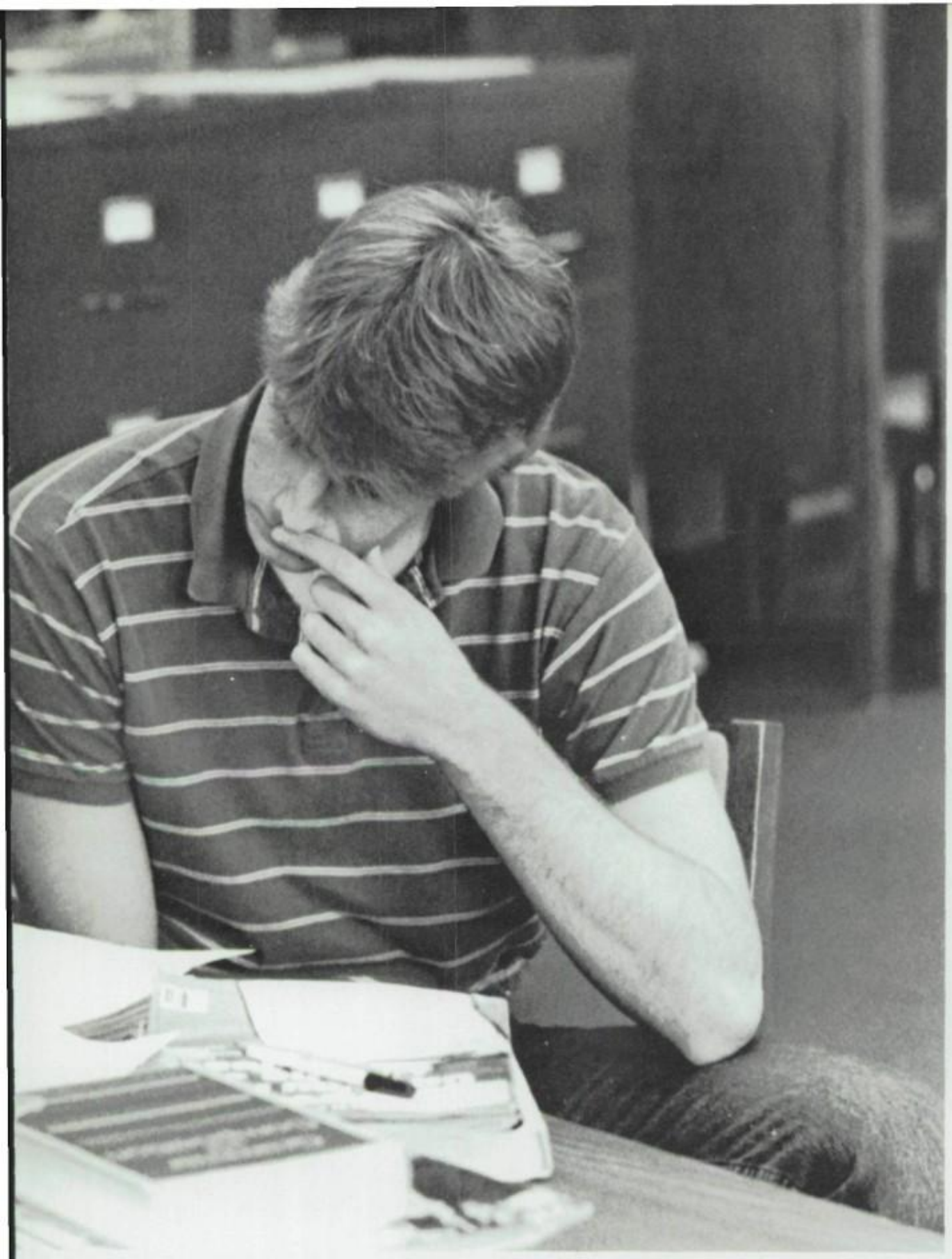
"I think Earth Science helped me learn what I can do to preserve our environment," Amy Gluth added.

Offering different opinions, some students considered certain classes less useful. "Basic math is somewhat useful, but what good are sines, cosines, and squared roots going to do you if you're not planning on majoring in math?" questioned sophomore Cliff Balka.

However, whether they agreed or not, there were still certain things students had to do. And once again, Joe hauled the trash to the curb, thinking of the future when no one could make him do anything he didn't want to do .

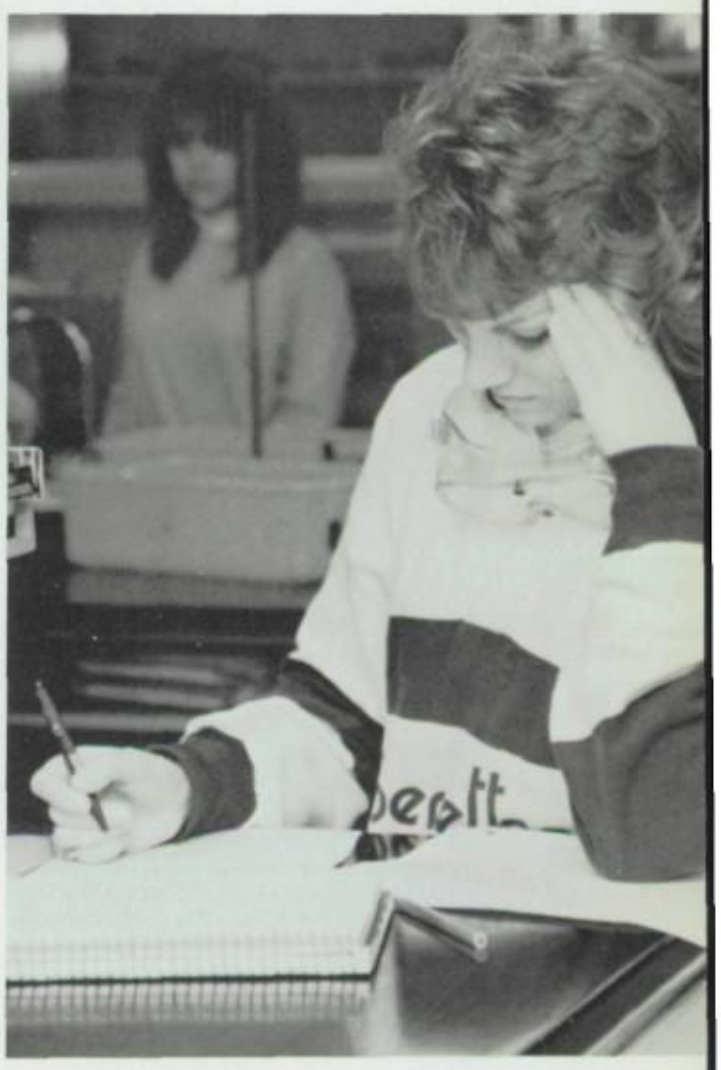


Pick and choose
Carefully weighing his options, senior Brian Rudloff checks the card catalog for possible references for his compositions. Students found the library served as a helpful resource in writing compositions.



One-on-one
Hoping to improve senior Tim O'Mara's writing style, English teacher Mrs. Mary Yorke discusses his reasoning in his composition. Students agreed this method of grading was effective in helping to improve scores.

Mind boggling
Puzzled by the figures on her chemistry lab, sophomore Melissa Klee rechecks her work. Accurate measurements were necessary when working out scientific problems.



Important points
With careful consideration, Kris Ware, senior, takes notes for her Humanities project. Instead of a final, senior Humanity classes were given semester projects which contributed to one-seventh of their grade.

Board work
All eyes on them, freshmen Rory Gont and Melissa Nichols work their algebra equations. Teachers used this method in hopes that the class would learn more.

CHEAT?

Students forced to make choice

Fridays meant only one thing when it came to school: tests. Then again Thursdays also meant only one thing: the best night for TV.

Top rated shows such as "The Cosby Show", "Cheers" and "Family Ties" competed for students study time. However, some students had a ready answer. Not only was it the quickest way to study, but the easiest. Cheating became the answer to all of their testing problems.

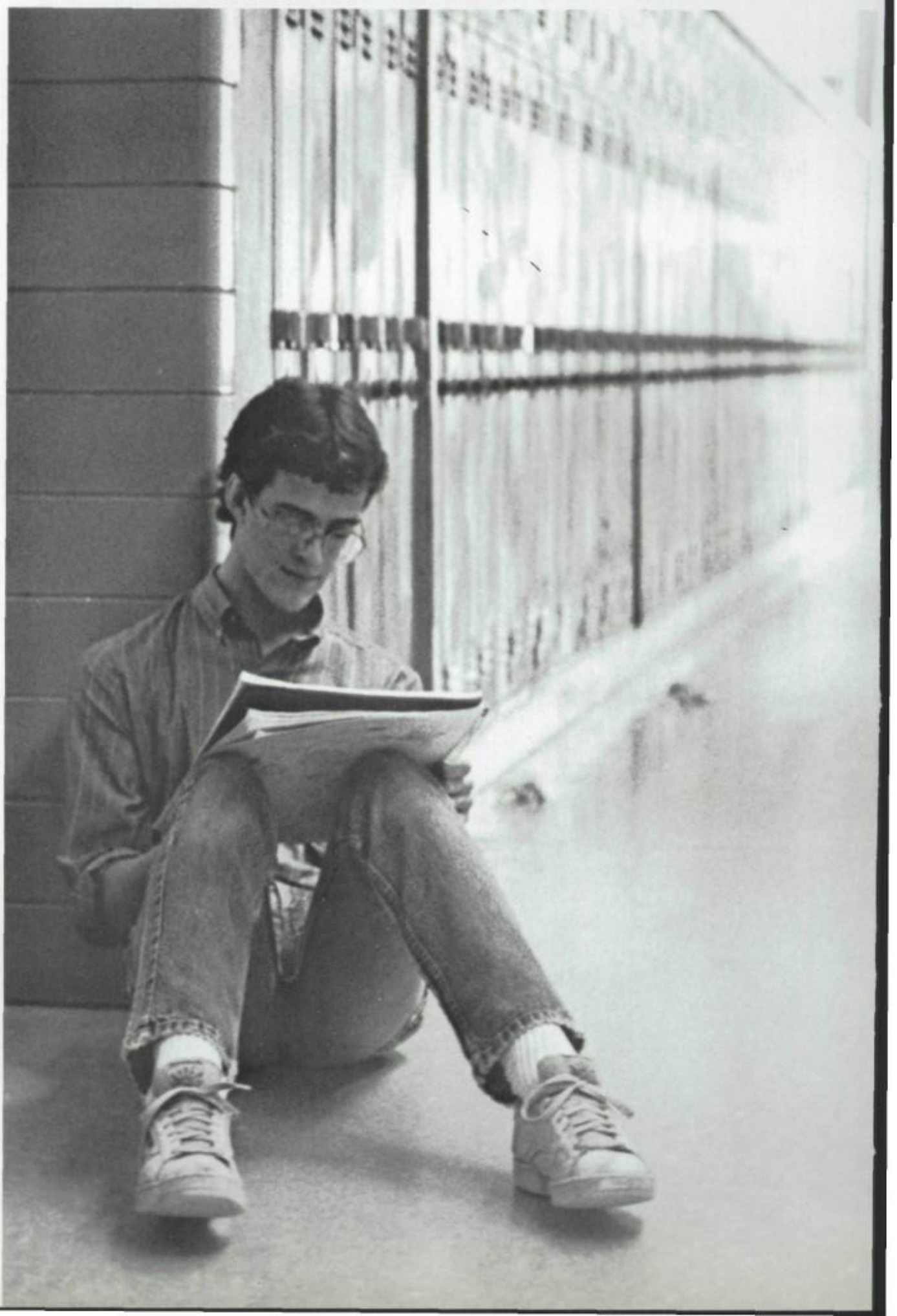
If you've done it once, you can do it a hundred times," stated one anonymous student. Methods ranged from cheatsheets to copying from other students. Getting answers from those who already took the test was also popular when it came to cheating on tests.

The school's policy regarding cheating ranged from the first time caught, a zero on the test; the second, an "F" for the six weeks and the third time, and "F" for the semester. It was up to the teacher to enforce the policy. "It is our responsibility to let people know that cheating isn't right," stated Mrs. Barb Johnson, mathematics teacher.

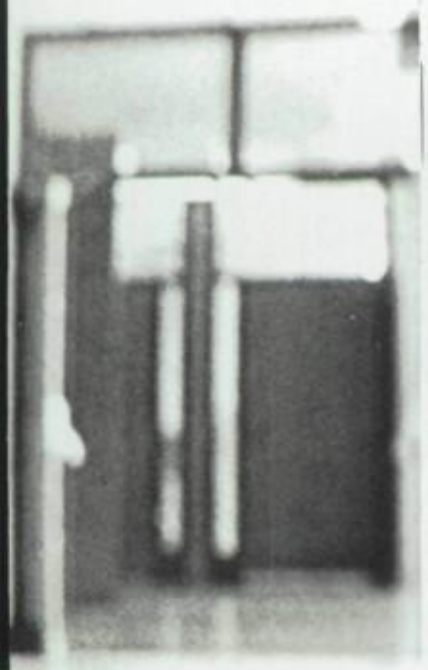
Unfortunately, it was the grade that was emphasized and not what had been learned. "What it all boils down to is morals versus a facade of success. Getting caught just isn't worth it," concluded Carolyn Pajor, senior.

Practice makes perfect
With the Christmas concert closing in, freshmen Missy Alonzo, Andrea Fefferman, Becca Ochstein, Rogan Beckman, Jo Galvin, Erica Boehm, Deanna Ryband, Laura Cooper and Kate Orth stay after to perfect their songs.

11:30 and still ticking
Late nights at the printer went hand and hand with Crier. Ad manager senior Dianna Holler "serves" her share of time putting in extra hours to make the last adjustments on an advertisement for Friday's Newspaper.



Loner
Working quietly by himself, Mike Feeney, senior, stays after to complete some unfinished work. Students sometimes stayed after hours voluntarily to catch up or get ahead in their school work for the day.



Staying later than usual doesn't mean overtime pay.

SERVING TIME

Not everyone was able to leave when the final bell rang at 2:45 p.m. Sports and extracurricular activities kept students past the school's dismissal. However, another group of students remained for reasons other than those listed above.

The only thing detentions taught me was not to get caught when I do break one of the school's rules.

If one happened to wander by Room C215 at 2:50 p.m. or S319 at 6:50 a.m. they saw a number of students "doing time" for breaking a rule. Detentions were assigned for reasons such as a first truancy offense and for not following general policy, like going out to lunch. "It's the one punishment that teachers can assign to the students themselves," stated Assistant Principal Tom Schatzman. "If they have problems with a student's behavior in class, the teacher has the option of giving them a detention."

To some students though, detentions didn't have a purpose. "The only thing detentions taught me," confided Todd Marchand, senior, "Is not to get caught when I do break one of the rules."

Agreeing with Todd, junior Eric Diamond said, "I've served my share of detentions and I have to admit, all it means to me is a quiet hour for studying. If the school wants to teach me a lesson, they're going to have to think of a better punishment for me."

Even though detentions seemed far from beneficial, they were punishments. "There has got to be a progressive method for discipline," rationalized Mr. Art Haverstock, science teacher and afternoon detention monitor. "Detention is the first step. It's the least you can do to them. Any punishment past that can hurt them and they won't learn anything."

For some, the dismissal bell meant nothing but an extra hour of school. They never had to ask whom the bells tolled, for they knew the bells tolled for thee.

Spacing out
Lost in their own thoughts, juniors Bill Paz and Julie Bacino serve an after school detention. An option of morning or afternoon detentions gave students the opportunity to "serve their time" when it was the most convenient.

Going beyond call of duty, putting in extra effort means you're

SERVICE WISE

"With a glazed expression and his mouth slightly agape, confused Conrad stared hopelessly at the board covered with physics equations. He knew he'd never comprehend them. Just a few seats away from Conrad, pensive Pete had finished the equations, completed his homework for the next day, and was anxiously awaiting his favorite class: Advanced Trigonometry.

" Advanced classes help your GPA as well as enhance your applications for college."
Christy Sxala, sophomore

Some students identified with Conrad. "I don't know what it is, or how it happens, but some people seem to understand a lot better than I do," sighed Chris Smith, junior. Chris was certainly not alone in his testimony. But for kids like Pete, a wide variety of advanced classes were offered.

"Accelerated classes are designed to enhance the learning experience of students who show outstanding aptitude in a subject area," explained Mrs. Pat Premetz, mathematics teacher. Students took accelerated classes ranging from English to science to psychology. These classes often gave them the opportunity for greater challenges and more satisfaction than a "regular" class. Students agreed that working hard, and doing your best, equals success. "I feel I will do better and have more confidence in myself, because I took accelerated classes and did the harder work," said senior Lila Jacobs.

There are many different reasons that motivate students to enroll in accelerated classes, but most took them because they were more interesting, challenging and thought provoking than the regular classes that students took.

Although advanced classes offered many benefits, some disadvantages were still apparent. A faster pace, harder grading scales, and competition with top students were among frequent complaints. "Sometimes, the extra work does not seem worth it," admitted Christy Szala, sophomore, "but then I do think my efforts will pay off when it comes time for college."

Agreeing with Christy, teachers also believed that advanced courses would pay off in the long run, if not sooner. "Sure, there will be disadvantages. But to remove them would defeat the purpose of accelerated classes," rationalized Mr. Nelson Clark, physics teacher.

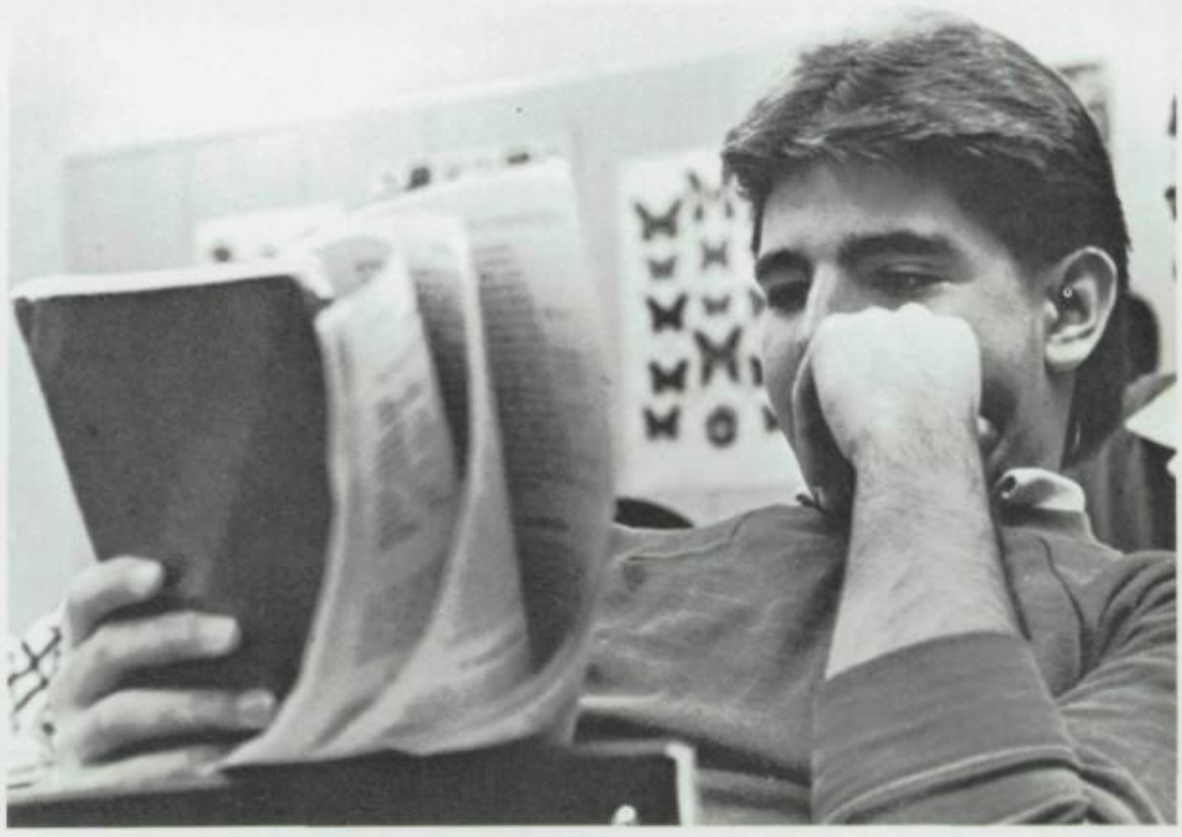
While some students in advanced classes complained of disadvantages, others felt that the classes contained some redeeming qualities. "Advanced classes help your GPA as well as enhance your applications for college," added Christy. "If I had the opportunity to choose an advanced course from a regular, I'd definitely pick the advanced for those two reasons."

Back in the classroom, Conrad knew he had to find some help with the equations. As the bell rang and the class rushed to the door, he called across the room "Hey, Pete, are you busy after school?"

Reading between the lines
With pen in hand, senior Jenny Koo copies notes from her Advanced Biology book. Outlining the chapter often helped students when it came time for taking the test.

"Huh"
Stumped by what comes on the screen, junior Joyce Kozlowski takes a moment to retrace her programming. FORTRAN was changed to an accelerated class due to the more difficult subject matter.

It's my turn
Personalized attention from French teacher, Mr. Paul LaReau, allows senior Holly Harle to clarify an in-class assignment. Advanced classes furthered student's knowledge of a chosen subject.



One more time
Taking advantage of classtime, senior Joe Czapkowicz reads over his lecture notes making sure they're complete. Advanced Chemistry gave students the opportunity to raise their average and improve the overall impression of their college application.

Working on homework, projects, reports students prefer independence of

SELF SERVICE

The room was completely void of any noise except the occasional turning of textbook pages or the intermittent sniffling or coughing caused by winter cold. Studying for hours straight with no television, no radio, and no interruptions could have been some students' ideal way of acquiring the knowledge to pass their tests.

Teachers tend to like creativity; therefore, I get better grades.
Mike Hatmaker, junior

However, while this situation failed to be every student's daily after school routine, some students found working by themselves beneficial. "When working on your own, you can see what you know, and you can better understand the concept being taught when the test comes," explained Lisa Fehring, sophomore.

Many students felt that working independently could help them get better grades. "I can be more creative when I'm working by myself. Teachers tend to like creativity; therefore, I get better grades," said junior Mike Hatmaker.

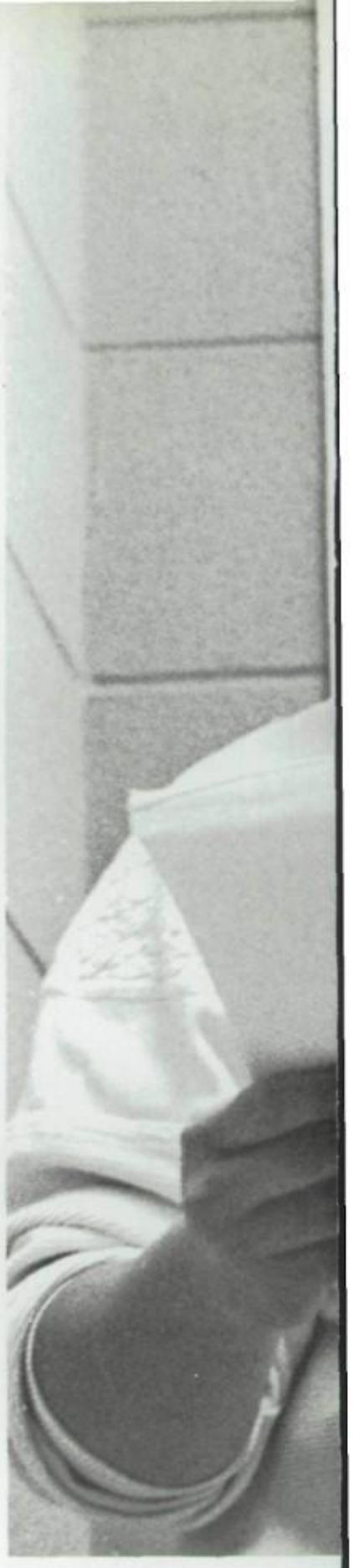
"When working on my own, there are no distractions, and I can get right down to business. There are no group gossip sessions either, which can be a major setback when you need a good grade on a test," stated sophomore Ryan Gailmard.

Teachers had their own reasons for assigning independent work. "I do not want students to simply sit and copy my ideas. I want to encourage independent, analytical thinking," said Mrs. Helen Engstrom, English teacher.

Projects were another aspect of independent work. "Teachers feel by assigning independent projects students can't depend on someone else for their grades," said Mike.

"I like working on projects by myself because when you work with others, some people do not work. They know that even if they don't do the work, they'll get the same grade as you," rationalized Dave Ensley, junior.

Students realized that independent work proved to be beneficial to them as well as teachers.



Just the facts
In order to write her report, Carolyn Pajor, senior, checks the Reader's Guide for sources. Independent projects proved to be beneficial to many students.

No peeking
Both eyes on the book, sophomore Dan Titak tries to type the copy without a lot of errors. Typing required extra practice in order to be able to type proficiently.

Rehearsing for perfection
Rehearsing for competition, sophomore Gene Chang gives a speech in front of a mirror. Students found practicing with a mirror helped them to perfect the presentation.

Handy-work
With scissors in hand, senior Helen Balon works to finish her clothing project. Sewing class required a lot of time spent alone with a sewing machine in order to get projects done in time.

Head of the class
Sitting in front of the class, Jasmine Pamphiles, senior, discusses her psychology project with the class. Every psychology student was required to do one individual project each six weeks.

It's all Greek to me
As she helps translate the Greek myths, junior Marcia LaMantia explains a passage to Chris Heimerman, German exchange student. The language barrier proved to be no problem as they received a "B" on their Humanities mythology project.

Who can it be now
While in sociology class, seniors Rosanne Trippel, Lila Jacobs and Christiane Richter, German exchange student, performed a role-reversal skit for their project. Working on group projects helped students learn how to relate better to each other.

Just right
With careful attention to details juniors Suzy Dickerhoff, Debbie Glass and senior Patty Mitrakis recheck their computations for any mistakes that may have been made. Drafting class often gave the students the opportunity to work together as a team.

Working together,
doing your share of work
raises standards for

FULL SERVICE

"No man is an island, entire of itself," wrote John Donne. Apparently, Donne knew of the ideals that some teachers tried to portray. Students flocked eagerly to libraries or friends' homes to work on class group projects.

Although every student did not flock as eagerly as others, each was willing to learn from their fellow students, and saw this as having many advantages. "Working with other students allows you to discuss things with the people in the group," said senior Aron Krevitz. "This enables you to see different viewpoints and gain a better knowledge of the material."

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Aron Krevitz, senior.

Not only did some students agree that this was a big advantage, but teachers did, too. Sharing this view, Mrs. Mary Yorke, English teacher, often assigned group projects. "They provide an excellent teaching mechanism and recent studies show that peer tutoring, at some levels, is frequently more effective than teacher-student learning."

Other students agreed with the issue, according to Laura Stover, freshman. "Splitting up the work during the first session and sharing what you have learned in researching on your own during the next, is the easiest way for me."

On the other hand, there were a few disadvantages. Among them were wasted time, finding a time good for everyone to work, and the fact that some group projects would be turned into independent ones. As junior Crissy Dinga stated, "Instead of each person doing their share, one or two people end up doing the whole thing and get the same grade as everyone else who didn't work on it, which I think is totally unfair."

Agreeing, Ryan Gentry, junior, said, "I don't like depending on others. I'd rather do all of the work myself than be let down."

The amount of work completed versus the amount of time wasted varied from student to student. Some said that it depended on the project and the people that were in the group, while others said that it didn't and that kids tried to socialize all they could.

Students learned the value that group work offered thanks to these assignments. However, they learned something else, too—you have to be careful of whom you choose to be on your island if you do not want to get stranded.

If you can't stand the heat . . .
Measuring to get the exact amount, seniors Lance Karzas, Greg Grskovich, Gary Piscula and sophomore Tom Ellison work together to perfect their recipe. A team effort was necessary for an edible concoction.

Color my world
With intense concentration, sophomore Vincent Santucci carefully paints his color wheel during Basic Art class. Art classes provided a break from tests and lectures as students learned to apply their creativity.

'Cuz I'm a woman
Although confusing at first, junior Brendan McCormack is only dressed as a woman in order to receive extra-credit points in English. Working on a dare, Brendan took up Mr. Dave Spitzer's offer to dress as Hester Prynne from the novel "The Scarlet Letter."

Time to chat
From the rear of the classroom, juniors Robin Fandrei and Chrisy Zudock catch up on the latest social news. Having friends in class helped make the time go by faster.

Flipping pizzas, passing notes, chatting with friends livens school

SOFT SERVE

"All work, no play makes Jack a dull boy." Many students have heard this saying before, although it usually didn't apply to education. Creating fun in class and selecting classes that were enjoyable helped break the monotony of everyday school life.

"I like to enliven the class somewhat with some 'off-the-wall' material that I can relate to the topic being studied," U.S. History teacher Mr. Tom Whiteley stated.

Students agreed that teachers with unorthodox teaching methods made their classes more enjoyable.

Some students took classes that provided a break from the rigors of required classes. "I took choir because it was a class I could unwind in. It served as a break from taking notes, listening to lectures, watching filmstrips, and doing homework and reports," explained sophomore Jim Karr.

"I took cooking class because it's enjoyable to spend one hour in school doing what I like," junior Judi Kozlowski said.

Students also found that having friends in class broke the redundancy of the usual classroom atmosphere. "I like sitting by my friends because I can joke around with them and be myself," junior Mike Vlasich explained. "They make my day go by easier, make it more interesting, and make school just a little bit better."

Class clowns also affected the moods in the classroom. "A class clown makes the tone of a class less serious. I think that students tend to learn more when the class gets off a serious note because there is not as

"I think there is more incentive to learn in a class with a relaxed, fun atmosphere,"
Cindy Pearson, junior

Role reversal
While enacting a sociology project on role reversals, seniors Sheri Fefferman, Rosanne Trippel, and Marvin Mickow dress up to make their skit more realistic. Skits made class more fun by providing an entertaining way to get important information explained.

SOFT SERVE *cont.*

much tension," said junior Crissy Dinga.

Teachers sometimes felt that in order to have a fun class, students had to relate to one another. According to Mr. David Spitzer, English teacher, "I try to show students that I care about them as individuals, and I try to take interest in each student. It makes the students feel that they can make contributions to a class without fear of being made fun of by other students."

Agreeing with Mr. Spitzer, senior Yoko Nakamura said, "The way a teacher relates to students and the subject can make a difference in what is learned and what is remembered."

Teachers also had to take precautions to assure that their fun and games didn't get out of control. "There are times when the teacher must take a firm stand to see that things don't get out of hand," stated Mr. Spitzer.

Although no one can avoid education, work and play combined classes helped make the learning process easier for both teacher and student.

Chefs in the making
Making sure they follow the recipe correctly, seniors Robyn Bogumil and Derise Dettman make their cooking assignment. Cooking students felt this home economics elective helped lighten their busy schedules.

Masked marvel
Dressed for the occasion, senior Jen Luksich dons her black outfit and mask for the Crier Halloween party, while Gretchen Gardner, senior, takes the option not to dress. The Crier staff planned a Holloween party to get away from the hectic schedule of publishing a bimonthly newspaper.

Reliving the past
Dressed as Shakespeare, guest speaker Mr. Philip Tunnah lectures on Shakespeare's works to Advanced Composition and Advanced English 11 students. This opportunity gave students a break from normal teacher-given lectures, and it provided a chance to travel back in time to learn how Shakespeare thought and felt during his writing days.

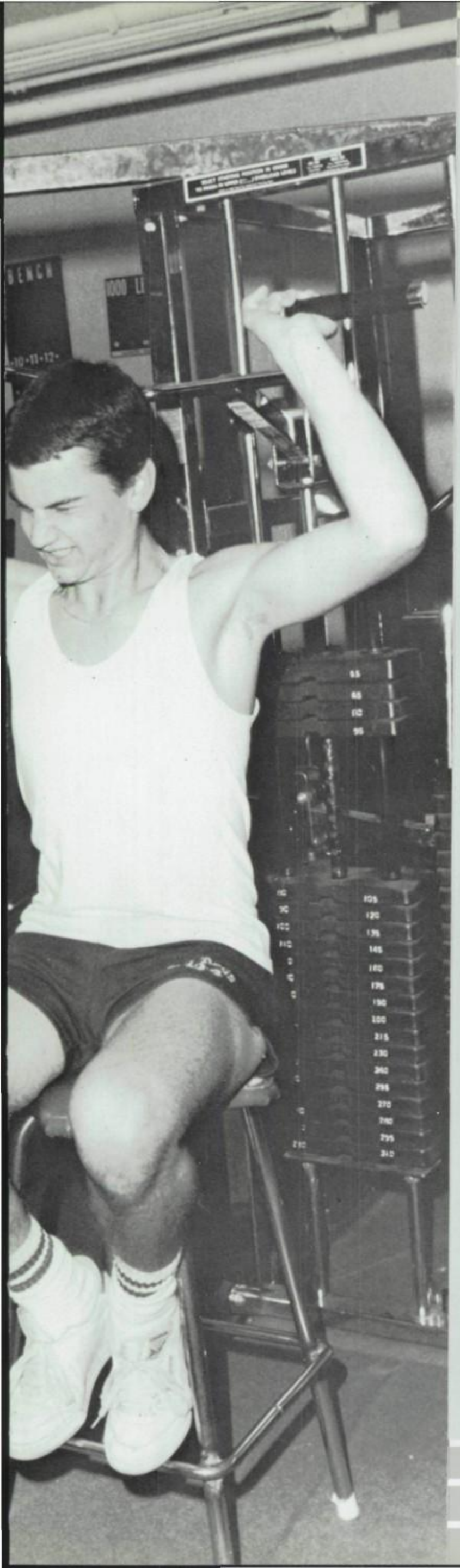
Come blow your horn
Seated at the back of the class, senior Dan Colbert practices his tuba during band. The class had many responsibilities, though students found that it was a relief from the required courses.

Reel 'em on in
While listening to the teacher, senior Dina Strange continues rolling her film on a developing reel. Photography classes allowed students to prusue a hobby they liked while earning credit at the same time.

I gotta wear shades
Trying to add some variety to his schedule, sophomore Matt Matasovsky wears sunglasses on Beach Day during Homecoming Spirit Week. Spirit Week helped students beat the boredom "blahs" that accompained an ordinary school day.

Playing with numbers

The world of sports revolves around numbers. Numbers, not names, identified the athletes that punt, pass, and kick. First, second, and third string players find that numbers rank their ability. However, numbers of a different kind played a role in the individual sport season. For the 1st time ever, the football team advanced to Semi-State competition. As a result of the team's performance, 11 players were named to post-season teams. In volleyball, junior Jen Paulson was named to the 1st team All-Conference. The Girl's Basketball Team won the Holiday Basketball Tourney for the 1st time. The Gymnastics Team grew steadily smaller as only 4 girls braved the rigorous season. On a sad note, the Bear's dreams of winning the Super Bowl were dashed as they settled for a 14-3 record. Whatever the results, coaches and players alike found that the win-loss columns weren't the only collection of numbers that mattered. With all the distinctions, awards and honors, the sporting world found themselves



Weighty issue
Straining under 95 pounds of weight, senior Mike Echterling works to improve his upperbody strength. For some, weightlifting provided a means of physical fitness that didn't involve running, kicking or hitting.

Neck and neck
Virtually tied with her breast-stroking Lowell opponent, senior Barb Payne quickens her pace in the 100-yard breaststroke. Stiff competition continued throughout the match, yet the girls managed to stroke their way to a 90-81 victory.

Bouncing balls
Discreetly disguised as Lottery ping-pong balls, juniors Jodi Johnson, Stacy Franciskovich and Beth Stover cheer at the Halloween football game. Dressing-up for the game enabled these Drill-Team members to wear something besides their red and white uniforms.

Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders. (front row) Holly Harle, Cathy Labitan, Christy Thill. (back row) Susan Higgins, Rhonda Pool, Cheryl Cooper.

Varsity Football Cheerleaders. (front row) Holly Harle, Mary Blaesing, Susan Higgins. (back row) Cathy Labitan, Rhonda Pool, Christy Thill.

Junior Varsity Football Cheerleaders. (front row) Heather Fesko, Tammy Hollis, Tricia Camino. (back row) Mary Margaret Tosiou, Julianne Chevigny, Cathy Nislewicz.

Freshman Football Cheerleaders. (front row) Claudine Blatnica, Becky Deren, Julie Huard. (back row) Tracy Liming, Sara Mintz, Traci Koziatek.

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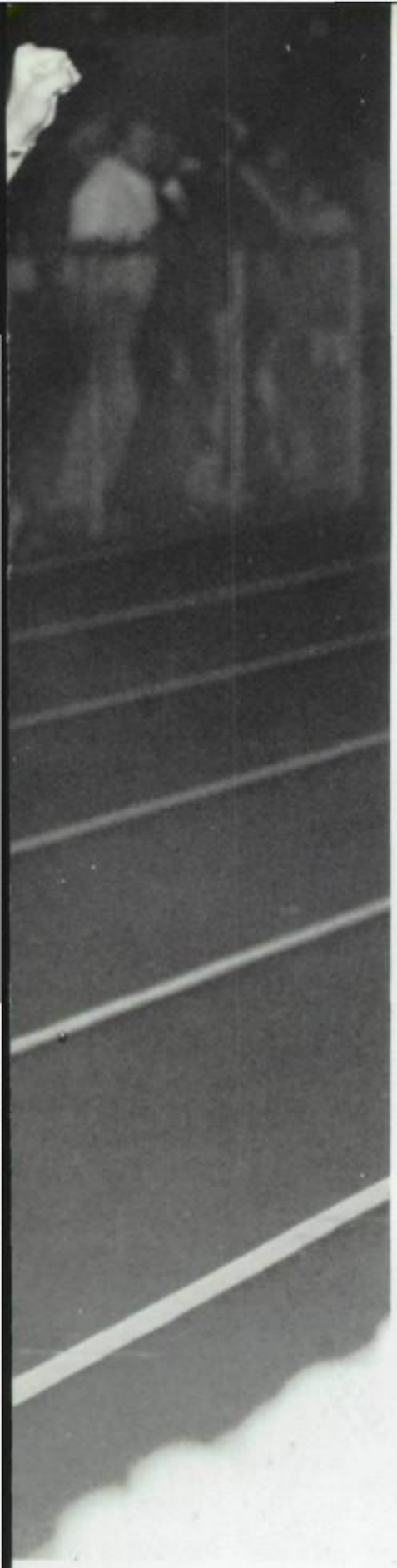

Shattering stereotypes, girls find reason to

SHOUT IT OUT

Six girls are running up and down the sidelines yelling and trying to encourage the crowd. Watching this, one student says, "I hate the cheerleaders. They're all blonde airheads who never really do much." However, this statement couldn't be further from the truth.

"I really hate the typical stereotype for cheerleaders," expressed Varsity Cheerleader Cheryl Cooper, senior. "We're not dumb airheads and we spend a lot of time helping to increase school spirit."

" A lot of people would be surprised at exactly how much time cheerleading takes up ," explained Cheerleading sponsor Mrs. Linda Scheffer, home economics teacher. Siding with Cheryl she said, "We spend a lot of time making signs and hoops and practicing. It's hard work."

Despite the time cheerleading takes up, the girls felt that cheering was worth it. "I have fun cheering because it promotes spirit and gets people involved with the teams," stated Varsity Cheerleader Susan Higgins.

"The biggest advantage of cheering is the fulfilled feeling you get when the whole crowd is supporting the team," added Susan.

However, sometimes there was a lack of crowd support. "Because of the low attendance at basketball games we gave away pins and clickers to try to get people to come and support the team," said Mrs. Scheffer.

While the crowd may not always help encourage the team, the athletes know that the cheerleaders back them. "I really like the cheerleaders being at games," said sophomore Rod Vanator, basketball player. "At some of the really far away games there was almost no crowd to cheer us on, but we could always depend on the cheerleaders to give us the support the small crowd could not give us."

Whether cheering on the sidelines, making posters, or decorating locker rooms, the cheerleaders displayed spirit and demolished the blonde airhead stereotype.

Go Stangs!
Cheering the football players to a hopeful victory, juniors Susan Higgins and Captain Mustang Don Williams watch the action on the field. Captain Mustang tried to encourage and amuse the crowd at home games.

Let's Hear It
To motivate the crowd, senior Rhonda Pool, junior Mary Blaesing, and senior Holly Harle lead the crowd in a cheer. Players found that the din of a cheering crowd helped increase their performance on the field.

unior Varsity Basketball Cheer-eaders. (front row) Heather Fesko, Mary Margaret Tosiou, Tricia Camino. (back row) Cathy Nisiewicz, Julianne Chevigny, Jennifer Wilhelm.

Time to stop
Without a second to spare, freshmen Deena Franko and Alison Glendening compare their respective times to see if they are correct. Swimmers found GTO members to be helpful in determing times during swim meets.

Watchful eyes
Responsible for keeping score at the wrestling match, senior Jen Fraser and junior Karen Russell, closely watch for the outcome of the match. Along with keeping scores, the girls found it enjoyable attending matches.

Taking charge
Operating the kyroscope and announcing the upcoming events, junior Amelia Noel and Sally Miller officially keep time at the boys' swim meet. The girls were responsible for keeping time and announcing events at all home swim meets.

Sacrificing Saturday mornings, free time, and study time, GTO concentrates

MAKING TIME FOR OTHERS

It's 8 a.m. Saturday. Sue must wake up and attend the swim meet at school. Even though Sue will not be participating, as a Girls' Timing Organization member, she must be there to keep time.

GTO members kept time at cross country meets, swim meets, track meets and wrestling matches. Along with keeping time, GTO members also set up chairs and tables before meets and also took care of timing equipment. During Sectionals, the members boosted team spirit. "When teams get around to Sectional time, the girls showed spirit by decorating lockers and putting up posters," athletic secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Van Zyl, GTO sponsor explained.

Although members must attend early meets or matches on Saturday mornings, they still enjoyed being in GTO. "I thought it would be fun to attend all the matches and meets," explained junior Karen Russell.

For others, GTO was an activity one could join to be with friends. "Since most of my good friends were on the swim team, I thought I would be near my friends by being in GTO," added senior Jen Fraser, GTO president.

Still others joined GTO because they were in a sport tied along with GTO. "Since I was on the swim team, I joined GTO," recalled sophomore swimmer, Jen Obenchain.

It really didn't take much for one to get involved with GTO. Members had to practice a couple times to learn how to use the timing equipment. "Usually, the president, Jen Fraser, taught the members how to use the equipment," commented Mrs. Van Zyl.

True, GTO took up weekend mornings and time for homework, yet the volunteers were committed to making sure all the meets went on as planned. GTO was one activity that made time for others.

Girls' Timing Organization (front row) Becky Stodola, Sarah Kosenka, Mrs. Van Zyl, Jennifer Fraser, Dana Richardson, Vicki Vrabel, Rhonda Keown. (row 2) Laura Baker, Stacy Szany, Nola Golubiewski, Lisa Jabaay, Amy Darrington, Dana Adich, Gina Torreano. (row 3) Jennifer Vanderhoek, Rhonda Ferguson, Diana Fabian, Gina Nicosia, Karen Kunkel, Kelli Jones. (row 4) Tonya Tomski, Allison Potts, Jennifer Johnson, Kathi Vaughn, Alison Glendening, Erica Mowitz, Karen Russell. (row 5) Jen Obenchain, Catherine Cak, Amelia Noel, Chrissy Radosavich, Karyn Dahlsten, Jenn Gust.

The longest yard
Exuberant after a Mustang touchdown, senior Dan Hollis (12) extends his arms in triumph. Dan went on to be named UPI first team all state .

Celebrate!
Sectional trophy raised high, the team rejoices after their win over Bishop Noll. The Mustangs defeated the Warriors 40-19 and advanced to the Regionals to face Hobart.

Listen up
In hopes of preserving a Homecoming victory, Coach Leroy Marsh calls an offensive time out. His offensive strategy paid off as the team beat the Calumet Warriors 24-16.

Break it up
After a pick-up of a couple of yards, end Larry Wiley (84) and tackle Frank Scheive (77) get up after the play. The great blocking of the offensive line helped the Mustangs gain 3428 total yards all season.

Regional champs, final four bid leaves young team surging

FORWARD

When a mean dog is kicked into a corner, he can do one of two things: surrender to his enemy or come out fighting.

Just like that mean dog, the Mustangs chose to fight the enemy. "We came back in about five of our games," running back Gary Eldridge junior said. "We credit that to our coaching staff who would always keep the team fighting until the end."

That fighting instinct helped the Mustangs do what no other Lake Suburban Conference team had ever done before: win the Regional Championship. Munster defeated Hobart for the first time in the school's history, 24-21 in double overtime.

Down but not out, the Mustangs never said die even when they were losing 14-6. "I was thinking about how bad I wanted to beat them (Hobart) for a year," Eldridge said.

> "I felt as if we were Superbowl champions and this was our tickertape parade down LaSalle street."
> junior Paul Harding

Freshman Mike Ulinski kicked a 28 yard field goal to put the Mustangs on top for good. Hobart, stopped by a fired-up defense, tried a fake field goal and passed the ball into the end zone, where a waiting Dan Porter, senior, intercepted it.

As history was made, fans poured onto the field, hugging and congratulating the players. "It felt like a dream, thinking about the loss last year (to Hobart) 41-0, and winning this year will be something I will never forget," explained co-captain Adam Tavitas, senior.

Munster had lost seven times in a row to Hobart before beating them. "When we beat Hobart we beat more than a team. We beat a tradition," senior Dan Hollis commented.

The enthusiasm from the victory carried into the pep rally and Semi-State game. With the loud music blaring out of huge speakers, screaming fans and streaming paper made many players feel as if they were true champions." I felt as if we were Superbowl champions and this was our tickertape parade down La Salle street," added junior Paul Harding.

That weekend, five busloads and many cars made the three and one half hour journey to Waterloo, IN, to witness the Semi-State Championship, but it was not meant to be. A hard close fought

Down . . . set!
Simultaneously barking the signals and reading the defense, senior quarterback Dan Porter prepares to take the snap. Dan's ability to audible helped beat Griffith 11-6.

FORWARD *cont.*

game ended in defeat for the Mustangs, 14-6. "There was nothing more than I wanted to do with these guys than to take them all the way to Hoosier Dome," Porter explained.

The team never quit and fought fiercely until the final count: "Down 14-0, we could have folded, but we came back," Tavitas explained. The Mustangs scored on a 10-yard run by Porter making the score 14-6. They almost pulled off yet another "come from behind" victory at the end with only a few seconds remaining, but a pass was thrown just off the fingers of airborne Dan Hollis.

After the game, the locker room was filled with emotions. "There were about 30 kids crying, not because we lost, but because it was the last time they would be taking off a Munster jersey," Coach Leroy Marsh lamented.

Pre-season predictions said they were "too green" and a lack of experience equaled a rebuilding season. "Many teams we played early in the year overlooked us because we were so young. They figured they had an easy game," explained senior Dave Gladish, running back.

The so-called green team proved pre-season predictions wrong, rounding out a winning season by placing 11 players on post-season State and Conference teams.

Senior Dan Hollis earned UPI First Team All-State honors and First-Team All Conference flanker.

Juniors Bill Melby, center, and Bryan Novotony, kicker, were also named First Team All Conference members.

Individuals earning Defensive First Team All Conference were seniors Randy Grudzinski, tackle and Dan Porter, safety; and Juniors Gary Eldridge, end; and Jim Magrames, linebacker. Senior Adam Tavitas was named to the Second All Conference Defensive Team along with juniors Chris Dywan, noseguard, and Joe Knight, tackle.

And after all the toilet paper cleared and the fan buses pulled out of Waterloo, the Mustangs, the Calumet Region's "Comeback Kids," knew that their roller coaster season was finally at an end. "Coach of the Year . . . Regional Champions . . ." Eleven players named to All Conference teams . . . What more could anyone want from a team coined too young? A State Title? Maybe. But give them a little time.

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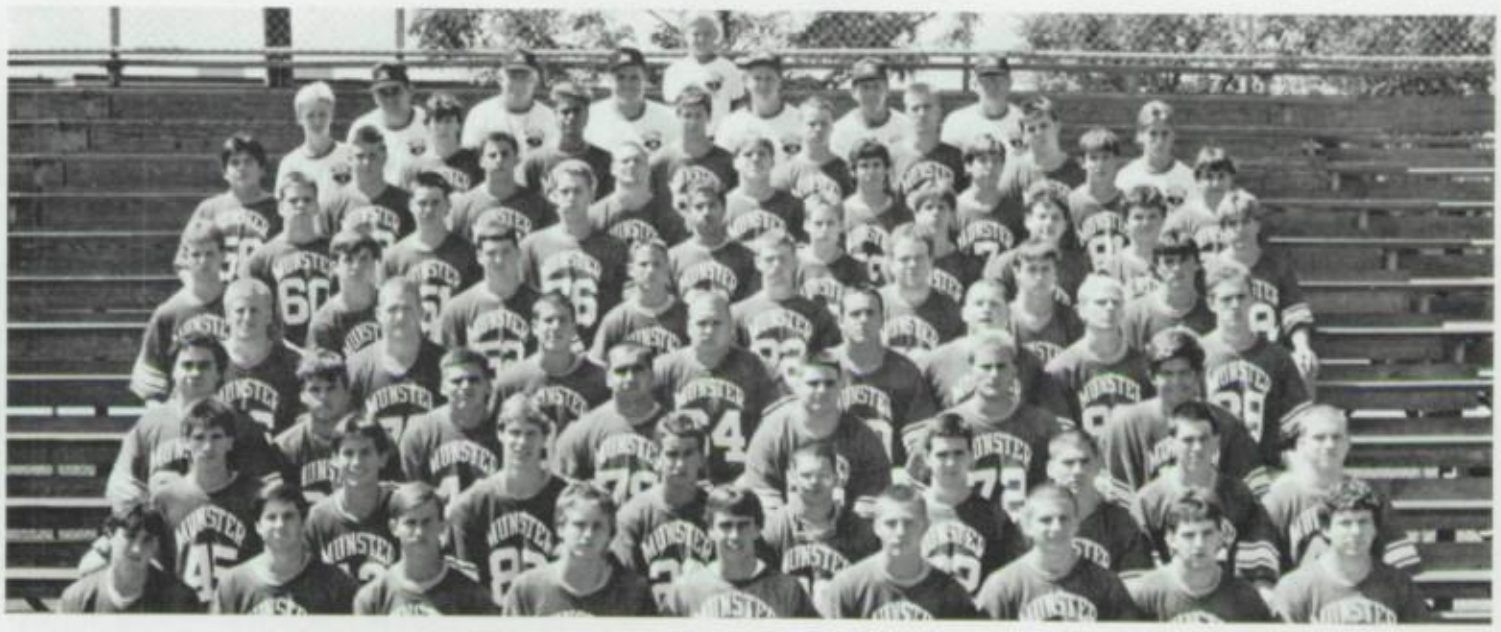
Freshman Football Team. (front row) Dan Sheffel, Harry Milhaitidis, Eric Hatfield, Jon Michaels, Jeremy Brenmen, Scott Giba, Jay Carnaegy. (row 2) Steve Jones, Jeremy Moritz, Chris Sersic, Napoleon Tablon, Brian Ladwig, Marc Millies. (row 3) Kirk Weisner, Bob Hurley, Jason Shaum, Matt Young, Chirag Patel, Dan George, Louie Schuster. (row 4) Chris Kiszinia, Joe Uzabell, Kurt Pramrick, Jim Knight, Don Dombrowski, Terry Steenson. (row 5) Phil Wang, Jason Guadagno, Joe Sheets, Clay Gillium, Mark Farines, Mike Ulinski, Bob Bogumil. (row 6) Brian Holland, Mark Pfister, Pat Mason, Tom Bendis, Brandon Siurak, Saul Garza, Robert Grady, Tom Renwald. (row 7) Mike Ballov, Steve Semchuck, Nick Dragos, Mike Stevens, Curt Sobeleski, Mike Saksa, Mark Velasquez. (row 8) Coach Woodrick, Coach Haas, Coach Spangler.

Shoulder to shoulder
With the help of a crunching block from Steve Cerajewski (24), kick returner Jim Magrames (50) powers to the right sidelines. Steve's good block helped Jim gain 40 plus yards.

Varsity Football team. (front row) Brian Giannini, Bill Wrona, Mike Gustaitis, Tony Hanas, Dan Porter, Jim Dryjanski, Gary Eldridge, Dave Gladish, Steve Strick. (row 2) Steve McCormick, Dan Hollis, Dan Keagebein, Rich Ramirez, Jim Torreano, Tom Johns, William Paz, Mike Mertz, Paul Harding. (row 3) Mark Basmajian, Bill Yarck, Adam Tavitas, Lance Karzas, Frank Scheive, Randy Grudzinski, Morgan Noel. (row 4) Bryan Novotony, Joe Knight, Larry Wiley, Chris Dywan, Jim Magrames, Anthony Grady, Dave Schoon, Jay Jones. (row 5) Aaron Franko, Chris Harding, Bill Melby, Tim Dillon, Steve Cerajewski, Jim O'Donnell, Eddie Balon, Rick Fox. (row 6) Brendan Sheehy, Rich Myer, Dean Jukovich, Donnell Etienne, Mike Obuch, Jason Dragos, Ted Panos, John Novak, Jeff Mybeck. (row 7) Mike Guerra, Eric Parker, John Reed, Jason Ryband, Pat Vale, Dan Cohen, Mike Trili, Anthony Powell, Art Giannini. (row 8) trainer Tom Fierek, Dave Webber, Bill Zeman, Steve Moskovsky, Bob Kemp, John Yukich, Mike Brozovic, trainer Greg Grskovich. (row 9) Coach Steve Wroblewski, Coach Ed Robertson, Coach Leroy Marsh, Coach Dirk Sloan, Coach Al Bochnowski, Coach Jack Yerkes (back row) waterboy Chris Marsh.



Boys' Varsity Football

	MHS	OPP
Valparaiso	14	21
Highland	15	14
Griffith	11	6
Lowell	39	7
Mishawaka Marion	9	18
Crown Point	27	14
Calumet	24	16
Lake Central	0	27
Sectionals		
Morton	27	14
Hammond	17	14
Bishop Noll	40	19
Regionals		
Hobart	24	21
Semi-State		
Dekalb	6	14

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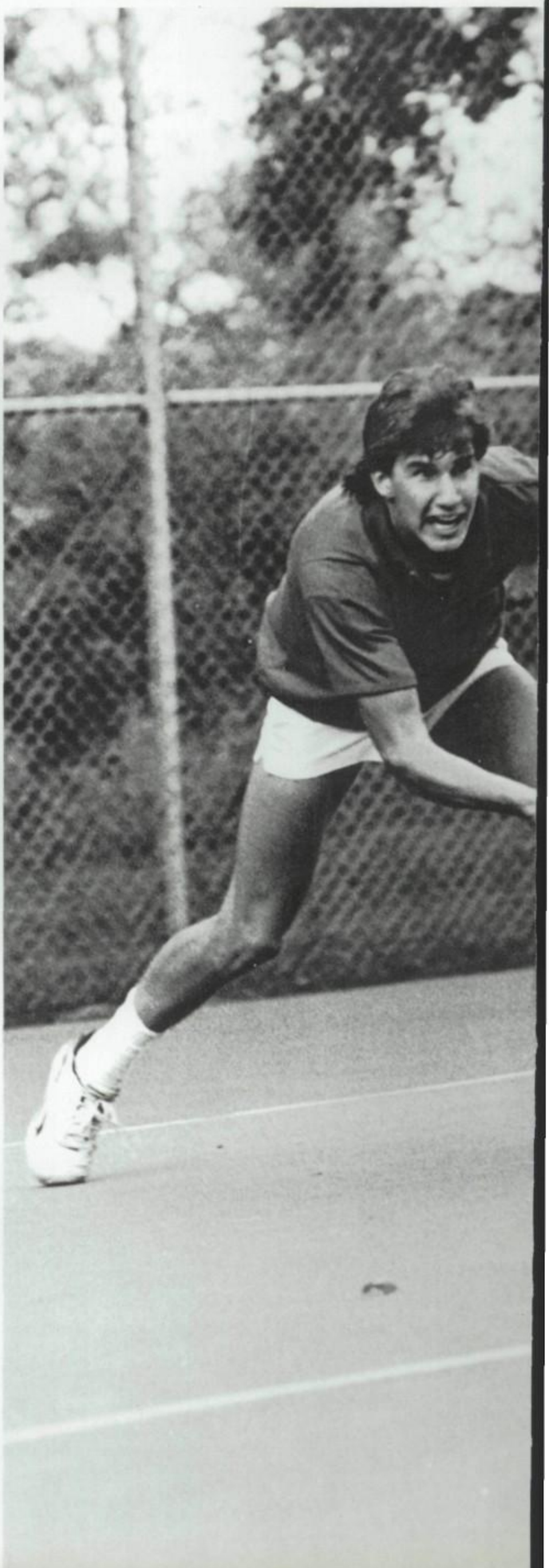
Boys' Junior Varsity Football

	MHS	OPP
East Chicago	7	22
Highland	0	8
Griffith	13	6
Lowell	27	8
Crown Point	6	20
Calumet	28	0
Lake Central	6	21

3-4

33 Dive
Though surrounded by Griffith opponents, senior running back Dave Gladish bursts forth to pick up a quick five yards. Dave averaged 5.1 yards per carry throughout the season.

Dead-tired
Exhausted after a match against Lake Central, junior Noel Javate takes time to catch his breath. Noel and his doubles partner helped to defeat Lake Central 4-1 in Regionals.



Boys' Tennis Team

	MHS	OPP
Hammond Morton	5	0
Lake Central	4	1
Hammond High	4	1
Griffith	4	1
Bishop Noll	5	0
Highland	5	0
Hobart	3	2
Crown Point	4	1
Hammond Gavit	5	0
Laporte Invitational	4	0
Lowell	5	0
Andrean	1	0
Calumet	3	2
Lake Suburban Conference	5	0
	5	0
Regionals	4	1
Semi-State	2	3

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Boys' Tennis Team. (front row) Eric Holtan, Noel Javate, Jim Karr, Steve Hess, Jay Potasnik, Adam Ochstein, Dave Beiriger, Mike Moskovitz, (row 2) Eric Swardson, John Kim, Andy Kieltyka, Doug Vis, Mitch Sparber, Ray Gupta, Peter Arethas, Gene Chang, (row 3) Bob Morris, Rajesh Shetty, Swamy Nagubadi, Doug Johnson, George Melnik, Steve Karol, Ron Javate, (row 4) Paul Kim, Jason Buyer, Rod Durta, Mark Zucker, John Jimenez, Phil Sorak, Pablo Bukata, Dyron Long, Scott Rubin, (back row) Giri Sakar, Jim Harrison, Rich Hah, Coach Ed Mussleman, Don Yang, Tim Engle.

Sure Shot
With a determined approach, senior Jay Potasnik attempts to scoop the ball over the net. Jay played number-one singles the entire season.

Stiff competition, inexperience leaves season-shortened Regional champs

SUPRISED

For a baker to create a tasty cake, he must depend on many things. He must use only the best ingredients, the right equipment, and use his knowledge of baking as well as he can.

Like the master baker, the Boys' Tennis Team had the best ingredients, the right equipment, and solid knowledge of tennis.

However, unlike the baker, the boys didn't have the dexterity to put their "icing on the cake" as they settled for a 14-2 final record and a Regional title.

Failing to fulfill their goal to capture the State title, the tennis team came up short with a loss at Semi-State. "Nothing really went wrong at Semi-State, we just got beat by a better team," explained Coach Ed Musselman

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> Coach Ed Musselman

math teacher.

Inexperience also played a major factor. "We had a lot of tension and nervousness at Semi-State," added senior captain Jay Potasnik, number one singles.

On the other hand, what the players lacked in experience, was made up by their enthusiasm and effort. "First year players stepped in and replaced the team with enthusiasm," commented senior co-captain, Don Yang. "The first year players filled in the space from last year's seniors by taking on the open spots and playing the best they could."

Some players beleived team unity and competitive ability were two ingredients the team lacked during the season. "We really needed to be more unified as a team," junior Swamy Nagubadi said.

Taking a similar view, number-two singles Mike Moskovitz, sophomore, said, "We didn't really play as a team until Semi-State."

Nothing is more exasperating to a top baker than a ruined cake. After careful preparation, measurement, and effort, such a disappointment becomes hard to take. Like bakers, the Tennis Team took their disappointment in stride, and proceeded towards their kitchen to start from scratch.

Winding up
Ready to return the ball, junior Peter Arethas attempts a backhand smash. Peter went ahead to defeat his Hammond Gavit opponent 3-2.

Planning ahead
Checking the pairings for their upcoming match, junior Peter Arethas, sophomore Mike Moskovitz, and sophomore Dave Beiriger, examine the list to see who they will face. Checking these pairings helped the players to plan out a strategy for their game.

Despite a losing season girls keep up team

SPIRIT

Webster's Dictionary defines spirit as "vivacity, courage, vigor, and enthusiasm." According to this definition, a synonym for "spirit" could have been the Girls' Cross Country Team.

Despite a 2-10 record, the girls displayed spirit throughout the year. "The team got along really well," Coach Don Lambert, English teacher, stated. "It helps to have good spirit and cooperation in any team. Our team really showed unity all season long."

"We really had a lot of team spirit. We psyched each other up," explained Carolyn Pajor, senior. "Our record doesn't say what the team was. We ran to better ourselves. We didn't think of the score; we were out there to have some fun."

With only one experienced runner, inexperience hurt the team. "Most of us were in our first year. With a little more experience we might have known how to pace ourselves and what some of the courses were like," junior Cami Pack explained.

> We demonstrated that there are more important things than winning . . . It doesn't mean much if you don't have fun, too. Coach Don Lambert

Siding with Cami, Carolyn said, "We were rookies and had no idea what to expect. This hurt us a lot."

Although the inexperience and losses did not seem to hurt the girls' spirit, they were still felt by all. "It was frustrating to keep losing," freshman Sara Mintz explained. "We kidded about it, but deep inside we really wanted to win."

Contrasting this opinion, others felt that winning was not everything. "I feel that we demonstrated that there are more important things than winning," stated Coach Lambert. "Winning doesn't mean much if you don't have fun, too. I'm happy that all the girls improved on their times and had fun."

Throughout the season the girls showed co-operation, unity, and a sense of fun. If Noah Webster were alive today, another entry in his dictionary under the word "spirit" would read "Girls' Cross Country Team."

Girls' Cross Country Team. (front row) Kristin Walsh, Helene Nelson, Kris Siebecker, Carolyn Pajor, Diane Trgovich, Sara Mintz, (back row) Coach Don Lambert, Lisa Dywan, Mia Song, Erica Mowitz, Denise Eckholm, Jennifer Gershmen.

Walk it off
To console each other after a meet, senior Denise Eckholm (25) and freshman Sara Mintz (15) discuss their runs as they walk through Community Park. Home meets were held at Munster Community Park.

Teamwork
In order to prevent an injury junior Kristin Walsh stretches out freshman Sara Mintz's arms, Stretching out helped to keep the runners' muscles limber and flexible.

Stretching it out
Stretching the muscles in her legs, junior Diane Trgovich prepares for a meet against Lake Central. The girls went on to lose this race 70-15.

Girls' Cross Country

	MHS	OPP
Highland	40	15
Chesterton	37	18
Boone Grove	24	31
Lowell	39	16
Hobart	35	20
Valparaiso	40	15
Lowell	37	18
East Chicago Central	21	34
Merrillville	30	25
Crown Point	40	15
Chesterton	40	15
Invitationals		
Gavit		7th
Lowell		3rd
Conference		5th
Sectionals		10th

2-10

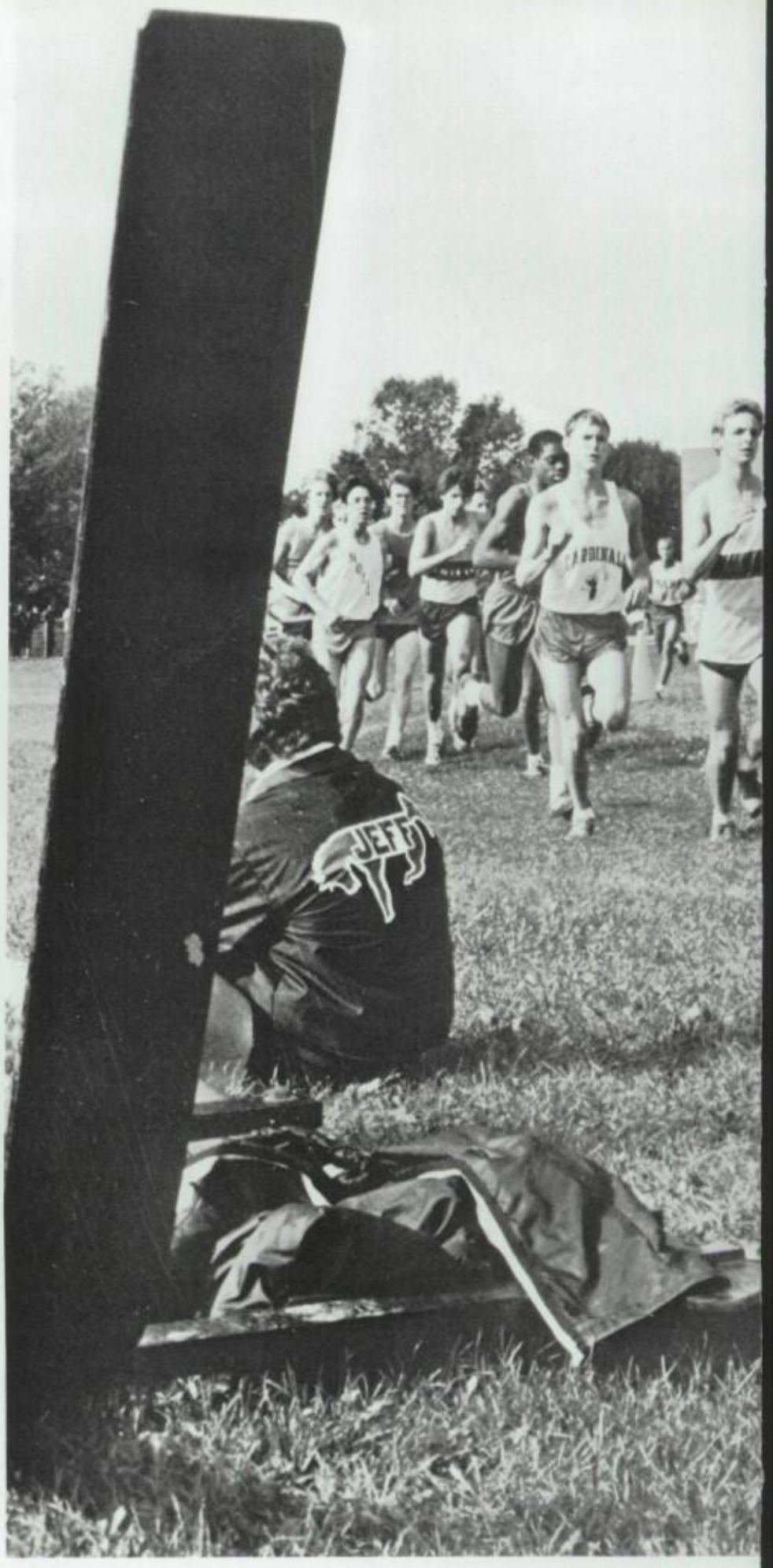
Boys' Cross Country

	MUN	OPP
Gavit Invitational	3rd	
Crown Point Invitational	4th	
T.F. South Invitational	7th	
Lowell Invitational	1st	
Merrillville	24	31
Lowell Invitational	2nd	
Lake Central Invitational	3rd	
Highland Invitational	5th	
Clark Invitational	3rd	
Girffith Invitational	3rd	
Conference	5th	
Sectional	1st	
Regional	5th	

4-2

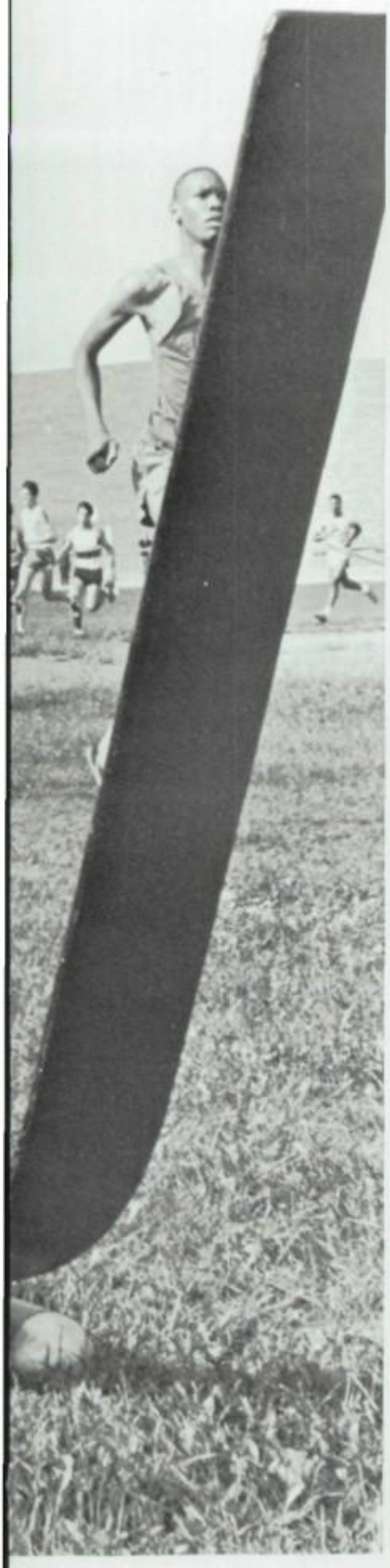
Breaking away
As he helps the cross country team in their attempt to win the Highland Invitational, sophomore Eric Lander gives it his all by passing his Highland opponent. The Boys' Cross Country team went on to finish in the top five of state ranked teams.

Checking in
Winded, Mike Andershak, junior, reports his time to Coach Bob Kolas at the Conference meet. Meanwhile, freshman Eric Lander compares his latest time to his previous time.



And they're off!
Crouched and waiting for the gun, the Mustangs prepare for a quick start at the Highland Invitational.

Though they got off to a strong beginning, the Mustangs finished the meet in fifth place.



Repeated Sectional title leaves old, new runners

WINDED

In the world of sports, teams find it difficult to repeat championship titles. Rarely does a World Series team repeat its victory, nor does a Super Bowl champion find itself in the same position the next year. There are, however, exceptions.

The Boys' Cross Country team happened to be one of those exceptions. With a 4-2 dual record, and a first, second, third, and fourth place finish in tournaments, they won their third consecutive Sectional title. "The primary goal of the whole season was winning the Sectional title for the third year in a row, which we accomplished," stated junior Matt Sobolewski.

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Due to the lack of upperclassmen, the underclassmen played a major role in helping the team accomplish this goals. "Most surprising was how the juniors and sophomores handled the pressure in a highly competitive conference, and how they geared up for Sectionals," senior co-captain Russ Balka said.

Another team goal was winning Conference. "We finished fourth in Conference, but that is misleading," first year coach, Mr. Bob Kolas explained. "Lake Central, Griffith, and Crown Point all had exceptional years, almost extraordinarily exceptional years. That became our misfortune."

Although they consisted mainly of juniors and sophomores, the second Sectional title was not a case of beginner's luck. "The overall strength of the sophomores' performances really decided the outcome of the Sectionals. Victor Fortin and Chris Behling, who finished second in the Sectional race, were rookies who carried the team throughout the season," explained Russ.

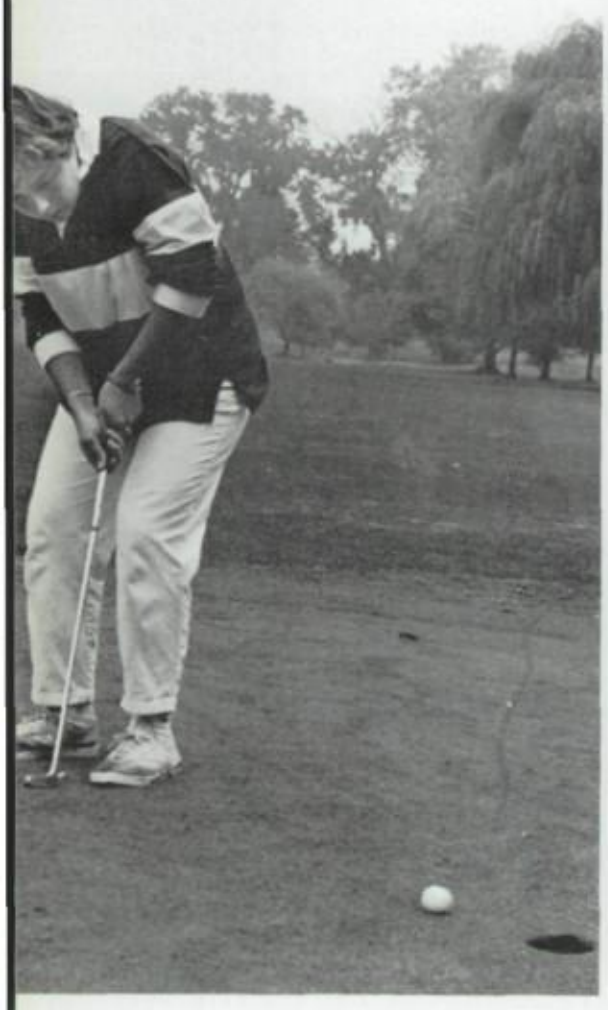
Exceptions exist to every rule. Proving that beginners could add more than luck to a successful season, determined yet inexperienced group finished like professionals.

In the middle
Trying to stay ahead of his opponents, junior Mike Andershak struggles to keep his position. Although he was persistent, his efforts failed as he did not finish among the top five runners.

Boys' Cross Country
(Front Row) Steve Konkoly, Jim Wozniak, Doug Payne, Noel Camire, Marty Camire, Billy Bennett (Row 2) George Tsirtsis, Matt Sobolewski, Chris Behling, Cliff Balka, Dave Musatt, Billy Gibbs (Back Row) John Guerra, Russ Balka, Victor Fortin, Mike Andershak, Steve Muller, Eric Lander, Doug Walker, Coach Bob Kolas

Out of trouble
Blasting out of a sand trap, junior Sally Brennan attempts to scramble for par. The golf team went on to defeat Portage 202-207.

Par putt
With a slow, determined stroke, senior Michelle Plantinga watches her putt roll toward the cup. Michelle's careful putting helped her achieve low scores all year.



Girls' Golf

	MHS	OPP
Lowell	207	223
Merrillville	208	258
Lowell	207	239
Lake Central	219	226
Chesterton	193	208
Valparaiso	220	223
Andrean	220	210
LaPorte	192	218
Michigan City Marquette	202	218
Hobart	210	300
Gary Roosevelt	210	303
Michigan City Elston	218	208
Portage	202	207
Michigan City Rogers	211	192
Invitationals		
Rensselaer		6th
LaPorte		4th
Sectionals		4th

11-3

A record setting year proved the Golf Team

EXPLOSIVE

"All for one and one for all!" may have been the cry of the Three Musketeers, but another group of ten girls learned new meaning to this well-known cry. The Girls' Golf Team showed this same unity throughout their season, as they fought their way to an 11-3 season.

"We were all good friends and had fun together," sophomore Christy Szala said. "We had a good team effort, and the scores were always close and very consistent."

The consistency in team scores was important to the girls' season. "It really helped having so much consistency in our scores," Lisa Kraynik, sophomore stated. "That way, not one person had the pressure on herself to always do really well. Every time we went out to play there was a new star."

> The 11 victories tied the school record. The loss at Sectionals shouldn't take away the wins in the regular season.
>
> Coach Tom Whiteley

While one star golfer may not have stood out, one match reaped extra excitement. "The high point of our season was the invitational at LaPorte," stated senior captain Michelle Plantings. "We beat everyone we would be playing at Sectionals."

In contrast, Coach Tom Whiteley, history teacher, and some team members felt that the record number of wins the team set or that the team was ranked 17th in state was the high point. "Defeating LaPorte and Valpo was the high point because it put us into the top 20 in the state for the first time ever," said Coach Whiteley.

Despite the record-high season wins, a fourth place finish at Sectionals ended the season on a low point. Since the girls didn't place in the top three, they could not advance to Regionals one of their season goals.

"We were really hyped for Sectionals. Coming in fourth after thinking that we'd be second or third was a real letdown," said Michelle.

While the girls may not have won all their battles, the "All for one and one for all!" cry helped unify the team as they acheived a record-setting season.

Fore!
As she dwarfs her teammates, junior Lori Anderson laces a tee shot down the fairway. Wicker Park Golf Course played host to the 11-3 team throughout the season.

Girls' Golf team. (front row) Nancy Gozdecki, Sally Brennan, Michelle Plantinga, Erica Boehm, Saralie Herakovich, Christy Szala. (back row) Lori Anderson, Lisa Kraynik, Laura Krameric, Nicole Granack, Coach Tom Whiteley.

Lets go
Ready to take the floor against Crown Point, the Varsity Volleyball team huddles around Coach Carmi Thorton.

Girls' Varsity Volleyball

Hanover Central	15-6, 15-9
Hammond Morton	15-8, 15-11
Hobart	15-4, 15-13
Hammond High	15-8, 10-15, 15-10
Valparaiso	15-8, 5-15, 15-13
Hammond Gavit	15-10, 15-7
Bishop Noll	19-17, 8-15, 15-13
Chesterton Tourney	
Chesterton	15-4, 15-13
Clark	9-15, 7-15
Gavit	15-7, 15-4
East Chicago Central	6-15, 15-4, 15-11
Lafayette Jeff Tourney	
North Central	15-5, 15-7
Crown Point	5-15, 18-16, 8-15
Lafayette Jeff.	10-15, 16-14, 15-4
New Castle	15-6, 13-15, 5-15
Merrillville	10-15, 7-15
Highland	9-15, 10-15
Crown Point	6-15, 17-15, 15-12
Griffith	15-5, 15-7
Calumet	9-15, 13-15
Lowell	15-11, 2-15, 15-10
Whiting	15-11, 15-8
Andrean	8-15, 14-16
Lake Central	11-15, 15-11, 15-13
Calumet	15-6, 15-1
Hanover Central	15-7, 10-15, 5-15

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Junior Varsity Volleyball

Hanover Central	15-10, 15-2
Hammond Morton	15-5, 8-15, 15-4
Hobart	15-11, 15-10
Hammond High	15-0, 8-15, 15-2
Valparaiso	10-15, 9-15
Hammond Gavit	15-3, 15-11
Bishop Noll	15-5, 15-13
East Chicago Central	15-1, 16-14
Merrillville	6-15, 3-15
Highland	12-15, 5-15
Crown Point	11-15, 15-10, 11-15
Griffith	8-15, 15-1, 11-15
Calumet	15-5, 11-15, 10-15
Lowell	15-3, 8-15, 15-6
Whiting	15-9, 15-6
Andrean	15-7, 15-6
Lake Central	15-9, 11-15, 15-13
Junior Varsity Tourney	
Highland	0-15, 15-2, 13-15

11-7

Varsity Volleyball Team. (front row) Cindy Pearson, Diane Adich, Laura Siska, (row 2) Jennifer Chevigny, Leslie Safron, Diane Hanus, Sharon Pavol (back row) Camille Saklaezynski, Jennifer Paulson, Gretchen Gardner, Leanne Suter, Coach Carmi Thorton.

Junior Varsity Volleyball Team. (front row) Ellen Blackmun, Jackie Johnson, Darleen Kender, Michelle Safko, Jennifer Spangler, (row 2) Kim Hesek, Deena Franko, Laura Dunn, Kelly Cronin, Barbara Etter (back row) Louise Andreanni, Lisa Baciu, Paulette Pokrifcak, Lisa Fiegle, Coach Debbie Bugajske.

On her way
With her eyes fixed, junior Jennifer Paulson concentrates on placing the ball in her Gavit opponents' open area. Jennifer's consistent play opened the way for her to be selected an All-Conference First Team member and to the All-Sectional Team.

Through peaks and valleys, Volleyball Team remains

UNIFIED

"United we stand, divided we fall!" These are a few words to live by when involved in a group activity.

The Girls Volleyball Team took these words to heart as they stood united to earn an 18-8 record and a co-conference championship. "We worked hard. We did the best we were capable of. This, plus a good attitude, will equal success," expressed Coach Ms. Carmi Thornton, Eads Elementary School teacher.

The key to unlocking the team's success was unity. "The journey started out shaky in our bid to defend and maintain our Conference title," explained senior Leanne Suter. "We managed to pull together and help each other. As a result, team unity was the key to our success."

Although the Girls Volleyball Team's seasonal journey was successful, it had some disappointments. "Among our disappointments this season was the loss to Hanover Central High School. After seeing a large lead transform into a disappointing loss, I must consider that one of our most disappointing moments," said Coach Thorton.

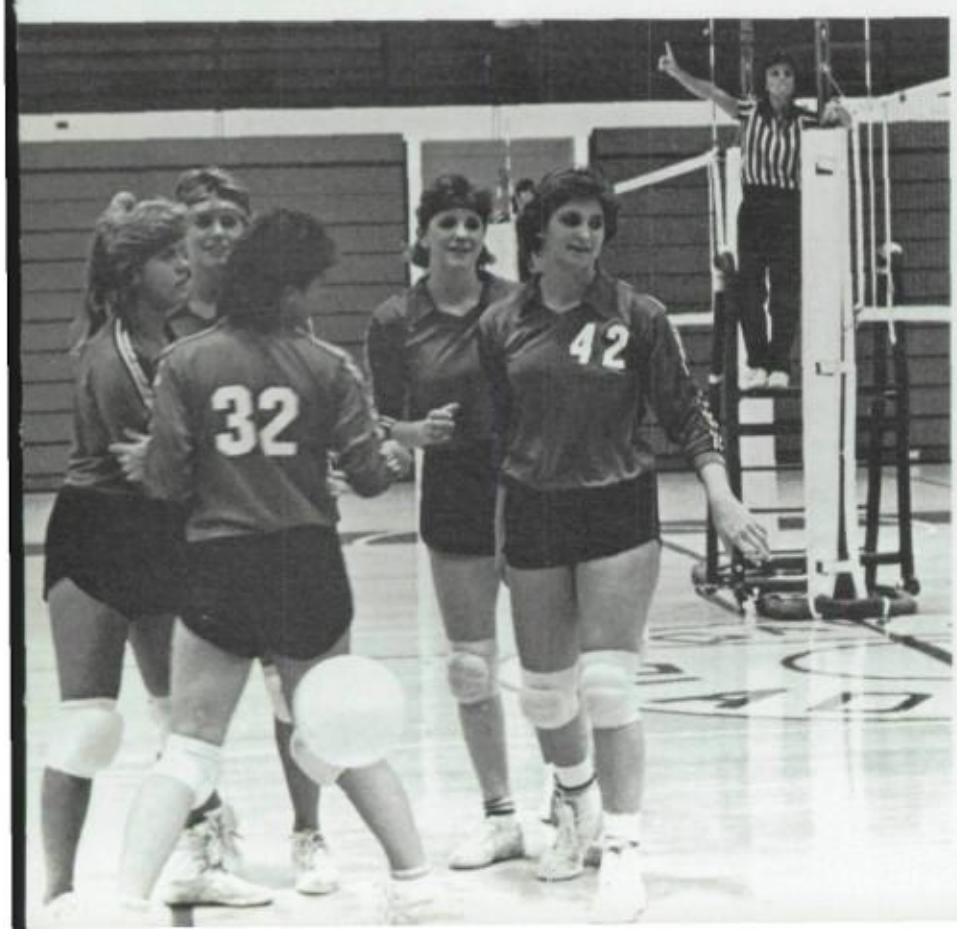
> "Being the unsung hero sometimes is one of the most important tasks as a team member,"
> Senior Diane Hanus.

Individuals played a major role in promoting team unity. In this case, the team captains provided the team with a winning attitude. "Our co-captains, Leanne Suter and Laura Siska, privided much needed encouragement throughout the season," explained Diane Hanus, senior.

Through their teammates help and support, two individuals were endowed with distinct honors. Jennifer Paulson, junior, was selected to the All-Conference First Team and to the All-Sectional Team. Leanne Suter was honored with the All-Conference Honorable Mention award.

Many teams have outstanding players. However, this group of girls realize that no one person can play the game alone. "Being the unsung hero sometimes is one of the most important tasks as a team member, for no matter how well a individual does they cannot do it without the help of their teammates," explained Diane.

Single players are neccessary to make up a team. However, the key to unlocking a team's success is their willingness to play as a team. The Girls Volleyball Team stood united down the path to a successful season, and refused to fall divided.



After the fact
After spiking her opponent, senior Leanne Suter (42) recieves congratulations from teammates. Leanne's skills helped her attain an All-Conference Honorable Mention.

All-out effort
Determined, senior Diane Hanus dives while trying to save a vital point. Seniors Laura Siska and Gretchen Gardner wait in anticipation for a chance to help Diane tip the ball over the net.

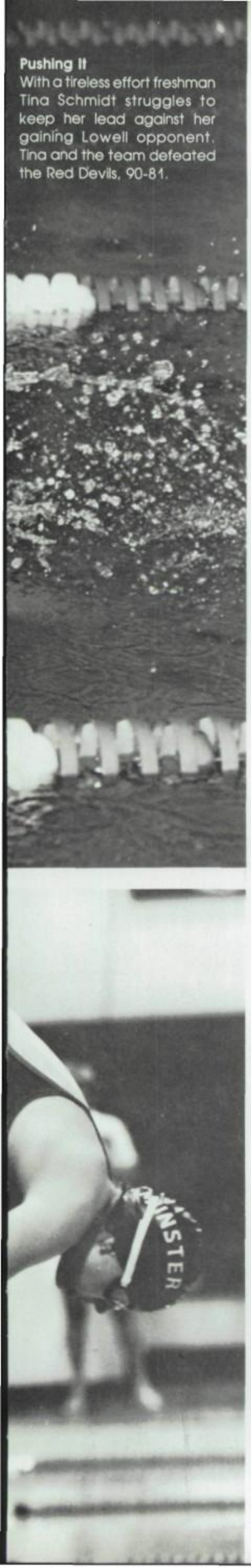
Girls' Swim Team

Hobart	113-57
Bishop Noll	111-57
Lake Central	80-92
Munster Classic	610-599
Invitational	
Calumet	63-20
Griffith	57-25
Lafayette	
Jefferson	79-93
Crown Point	78-94
LaPorte	72-100
Highland	67-104
Lowell	90-81
LaPorte Diving	
Invitational	394.00
Valparaiso	92-80
Highland	
Invitational	179 pts.
South Bend Clay	100-71
Lake Suburban	
Conference	188.5 pts.
Elkhart Central	53-119
Merrillville	120-52
Chesterton	65-107
Sectionals	185 pts.

8-7

Warming up
Taking a practice lap, senior Laura Baker loosens up before the Bishop Noll meet. The swim team went on to defeat Noll, 111-57.

On your mark
Tensely waiting for the sound of the gun sophomore Jen Obenchain prepares to race in the medly relay. Jen's best leg was free style.



Pushing It
With a tireless effort freshman Tina Schmidt struggles to keep her lead against her gaining Lowell opponent. Tina and the team defeated the Red Devils, 90-81.

WAVES

Young team, attitude help swimmers make

The Statue of Liberty has long been a symbol of excellence, yet time and the elements had taken their toll on the great lady. Over a century old, the majestic landmark was in dire need of repair, and many people contributed to its renovation. The Girls' Swim Team underwent a similar reconstruction during a rebuilding year and stroked their way to a winning record.

With over half freshmen and sophomores, the girls used their season to gain experience. With a fourth in Conference and a first in Sectionals, the team finished an overall 8-7 record. "To my knowledge this is the largest team we have ever had," explained Coach Paula Malinski, Physical Education teacher "But, the biggest weakness we had was the use of the team. Over half the team was composed of underclassmen who didn't have the experience to win in individual events."

> "The team had tremendous depth, but we didn't have the outstanding swimmers to put us over the top."
>
> senior Barb Payne

Having such a large team produced considerable depth in the dual meets. "The team had tremendous depth, but we didn't have the outstanding swimmers to put us over the top," explained senior Barb Payne, "This is why we didn't achieve our goals of finishing in the top three of both Sectionals and Conference."

Senior tri-captains Kelly Jones, Barb Payne, and Laura Baker contributed to the success of the team. "Because of the lack of seniors (only four) the captains had their hands full in keeping the team motivated and united," sophomore Jen Obenchain said.

The team also hoped to send as many people to State as possible. Jones made it for the 100 meter breast stroke and finished 16 in the IHSAA State finals. The 200 meter medly relay also qualified for the State finals; however, they were disqualified after an untimely false start.

In some cases the season results did not come as a surprise, the inexperience was a foreshadowing of the eventual outcome. But in other cases, the results surprised the team. "We were hurt by the IHSAA eligibility rules. We lost two key people because of this rule, one swimmer and one diver," Coach Malinski stated, "Having those two people could have changed the season in a big way."

Step by step, the structure of the great statue once again stood majestically against a steel skyline. And, like a major overhaul, the Girls' Swim Team built upon a sturdy foundation as the base for their climb.

Girls' Swim Team (Front row) Pam Pool, Laura Baker, Rhonda Keown, Tracie Kozak, Kathy Gambetta, Tina Schmidt, Laura Pavlovich, Kathy Hughes, Louise Andreani (Row 2) Karyn Dahlsten, Chrissy Radosevich, Chrissy Dinga, Christine Bobeck, Stacy Muskin, Jen Obenchain, Cindy Jacobsen, Jen Gust, Jen Janusonis, Tonya Tomski, Beth Saks, Patty Luna, Debbie Somenzi (Back row) Assistant Coach Linda Taillon, Barb Payne, DeAnna Ryband, Debbie Payne, Jo Galvin, Amy Fraser, Kelly Morgan, Milica Grbic, Denise Nelson, Kelly Jones, Coach Paula Malinski, Colleen Morgan, Lisa Thomas.

Whether pushing, pumping or peddling, students strained to beat the

BATTLE OF THE BULGE

With the sweat pouring down his face and his body aching from the miles behind him, the determined student keeps running, pushing himself to the limit. But for what? Why would someone put himself through pain?

To keep the body looking good and to stay in shape, why else? The "Battle of the Bulge" was a fight many students fought year round. "I usually just watch what I eat. If I don't pig out, I don't gain weight," explained junior Penny Opatera.

Dieting kept many students from getting flabby and provided a solution to help slide into last years' jeans. Going to the beach in the summer and taking trips over Spring Break were added incentives for looking good. "In the summer when you are at the beach, you can't hide anything," said sophomore Tammy Hollis. "You have to watch your weight so you don't look fat."

Constantly watching the scale could get frustrating. Just dieting alone, however couldn't keep the weight off. Aerobics provided an exercising option.

"When I go on a diet I lose weight, but with aerobics, the weight goes off twice as fast," senior Sheri Fefferman explained.

Aerobics proved to be the most common way girls battled the bulge. "Aerobics is actually fun. I don't think of it as work at all," commented freshman Amy Orr. "Fighting the scale gets to be a drag but aerobics makes it easy to keep the weight off." Health clubs such as Omni 41, Sports Illustrated and Betty's Body Shop offered aerobic programs.

Health clubs provided many advantages. "It's great to get out of the house, have a good excuse, and still be able to hang around with your friends," junior Chris Dywan explained.

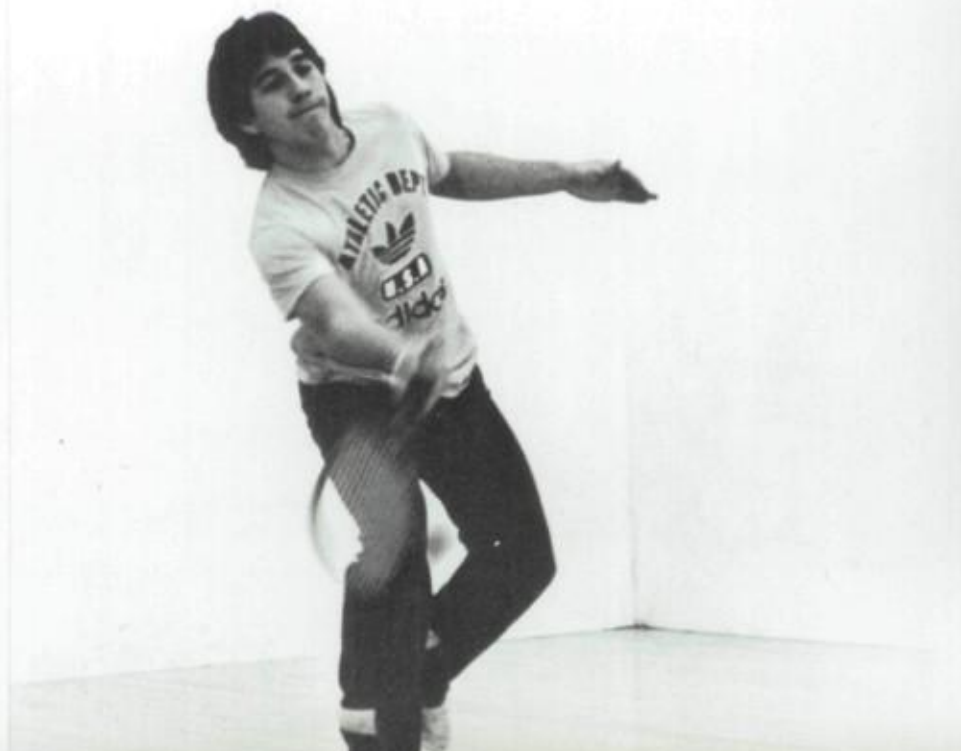
If a student wanted to lose weight, improve quickness, or get in shape for a sport, running also provided a ticket to fitness. "Running improves my speed while getting me in shape for an upcoming sport," junior Bill Paz stated. "Plus, I don't have to spend money."

Many athletes were forced to lose weight and get strong for a sport they played. Coaches required athletes to start preparing for their upcoming seasons months in advance. "Right after the football season ended, we started lifting weights for the next season," junior Jim Magrames stated. "The work payed off with the success of the team."

Gymnastics also required the female athletes to lose weight to help prevent injuries. "Our coach checked our weight daily. He wouldn't let us compete unless we made the given weight," said freshman Erica Bohem.

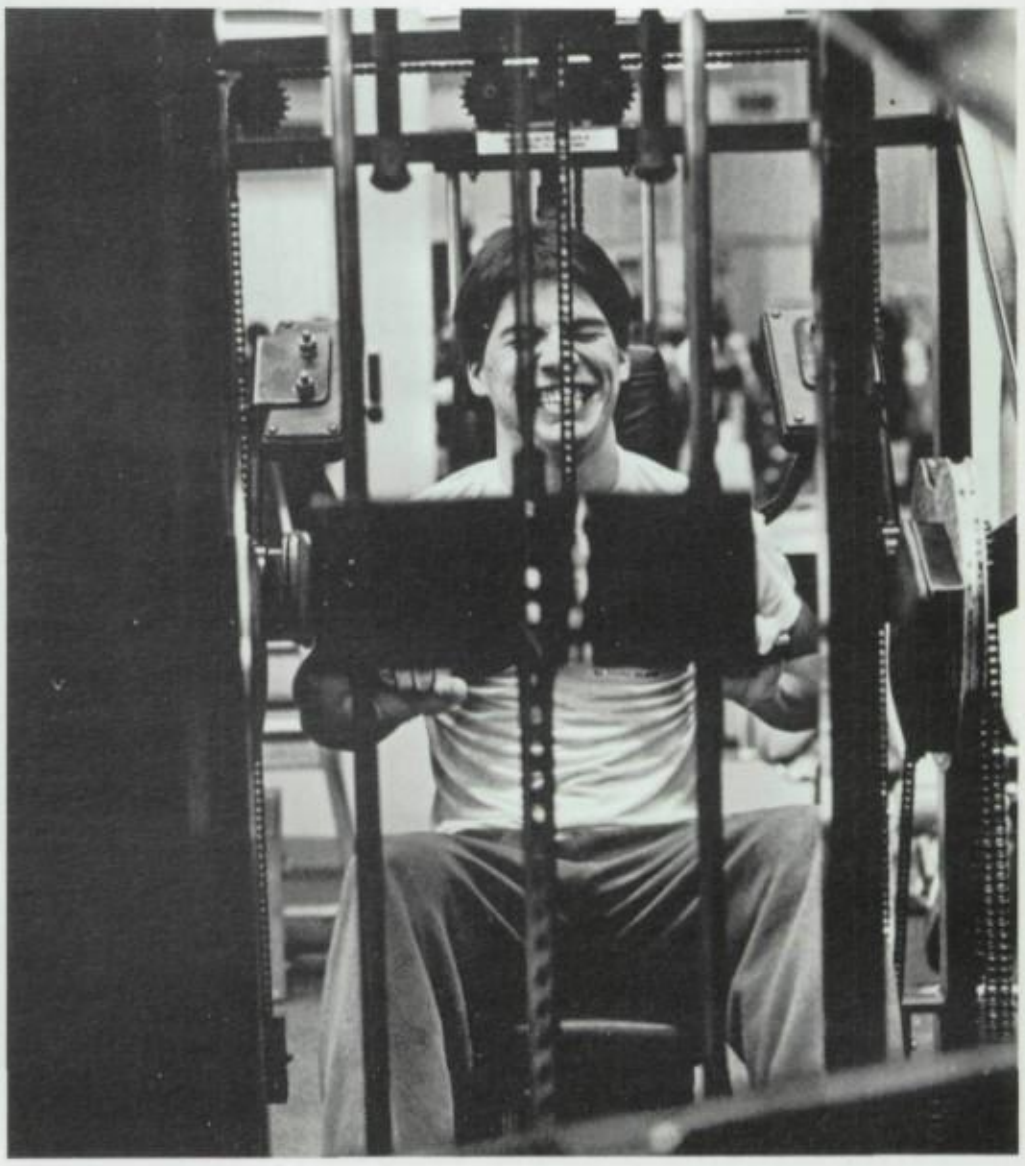
And after all the sweat, hard work and pain, students, whether trying to get that beach physique or slide into last year's jeans, paid the piper and won the "Final Battle."

Off the wall
Assured that his shot will be on the mark, junior Shaun Barsic lazily returns the serve. While racquetball provided an athletic way to battle the bulge, it usually required a membership at a health club.



Heart mate
With a watchful eye on the computer screen, junior Robin Fandrei records her pulse and speed. Health clubs offered many kinds of exercise equipment for any kind of muscle.

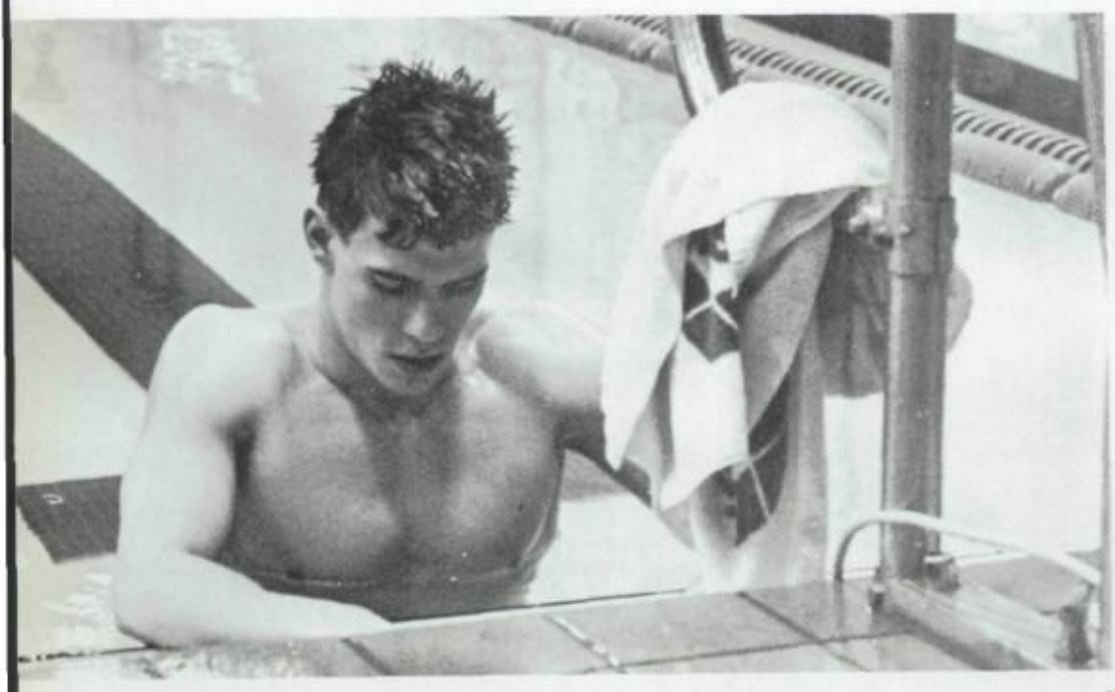
No pain, no gain
Exerting all his might, junior Bill Paz utilizes the lat machine. Weight training for sports helped students get an advantage over their foes.



Pushing on
With only one mile to go, junior Steve McMahon picks up his pace. Putting in a few miles after a long day of school helped students keep the body in shape.

Ready
Mentally preparing himself for the upcoming 400-yard relay, sophomore Robert Merrick puts all thoughts aside and concentrates on his stroke. Intense concentration helped bring the relay team to a 14th place overall finish at State.

Above the crowd
All eyes glued on their coming award, sophomore Jason Gedmin and senior Tom Arcella receive their gold medals. They finished first in the 200-yard relay in Indianapolis and broke the state record by a second, 1:36:91.



Boys' Swim Team.
(front row) Shaun Larson, Dan Sebastian, Greg Baker. (row 2) Brian Mohr, Eric Holtan, Chris Sersic, Eric Roseen, Lennert Tan, Jason Shaum, Eric Pinkey. (row 3) Steve Conkley, Scott Orr, Doug Poulston, Karl Wein, Sasa Kechman, Eric Schwartzen, Ken Mikrut, David Gerson, Joe Cipich, Pete Baradas, Rob Kane, Jeff Feltzer, Brad Clendenning, Don Bremmer, Robert Bellinger, Coach Jon Jepsen. (back row) Mike Autry, Randy Gluth, Tom Arcella, Jonathon Sherman, Tim Broderson, Rick Kumiega, Mike Micenko, Scott Wojtowich, Toby Skov, Tom Bair, Jason Gedmin, Robert Merrick, Coach Eric Krieger.

Varsity Swimming

	MHS	OPP
Valparaiso	90	82
West Lafayette	95	76
Griffith	106	65
Lake Central	97	78
Davenport West (Iowa)	118	54
Portage	103	69
Merrillville	103	69
South Bend Riley	88	84
Highland	88	84
Bishop Noll	93	75
Hammond Gavit	99	73
Hammond Morton	102	69
Crown Point	98	73
Calumet	109	62
Chesterton	90	82
Culver Military Relays	1st place	90 pts.
Munster Relays	1st place	112 pts.
Highland Invitational	2nd place	298 pts.
Kankakee Invitational	1st place	388 pts.
Lake Suburban Conference	2nd place	323 pts.
Sectional	1st place	329 pts.
State	5th place	137 pts.

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Junior Varsity Swimming

Lake Suburban Conference	1st place	330 pts.

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5th place in state, All-American rank, Medley state record leave smimmers in

LIMELIGHT

Aces were the cards in hand as the Boy's Swim Team, for the third year in a row, went undefeated in dual meet competition and increased their team record to 49 consecutive wins. Even a full house couldn't beat the Seahorses, who played their cards right again and again and refused to fold.

Though characterized by a lack of age and experience, the Seahorses worked harder to turn such shortcomings into advantages. "The depth or quality wasn't as good as previous years," senior co-captain Mike Autry said, "but we proved that having a young team didn't mean we wouldn't have a successful year."

The Seahorses placed fifth at State and broke four team records. The 400-yard Medley Relay team, consisting of sophomores Jeff Feltzer and Jason Gedmin and seniors Tom Arcella and Jonathon Sherman, was named All-American. This relay team also shattered the Indiana state record by over a full second, 1:36:91. "It's a great feeling knowing that we are the fastest four guys in Indiana," sophomore Jeff Feltzer said.

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Other Seahorses who qualified for the State swim meet and the Indiana University Natatorium were sophomore Robert Merrick and senior Randy Gluth in the 400-yard freestyle relay and junior Mike Micenko in the 200-and 500-yard free.

The team accumulated 137 points, which was enough to earn them fifth place in the overall standings. "People expect Munster to win State every year," Head Swim Coach Jon Jepsen said. "But fifth place in State is something to be proud of."

However some obstacles setback the otherwise victorious season. Losing the Lake Suburban Conference title for the first time in 13 years brought disappointment. "It was disappointing to know we broke that tradition." said sophomore Jason Gedmin, who finished second in the 50-yard freestyle in Indianapolis. "But that is nothing to be ashame of. We gave it our best shot, and that is what coach asks from us."

And just like any poker game played, good hands are dealt with bad ones. The trick is to know how to turn a bad hand to a favorable one. Fortunately, the Seahorses kept a poker face through it all, as they proved that it didn't matter what cards were dealt. What mattered was the way they played their cards; the right way.

Splash down
Launching off the starters' block, senior Jonathon Sherman begins his leg of the 400-yard Medley Relay and increases the Seahorses' edge. Sherman's strong performance led to first place finish in Sectionals.

Despite helpful hint, first round loss leaves team's hopes

SHATTERED

So close but yet so far, . . . The Lady Mustangs, despite a record setting 15-4 season, fell short of a sectional title to East Chicago Central, 46-51.

"This was the most enjoyable season, not from wins or losses but from the attitude of the team," Coach Dick Hunt, industrial arts teacher, explained.

Adding to the successful season was the teamwork which carried on throughout the entire season. "It was like we were a big family," junior Kris Siebecker said. "It was great to know that the bench still supported us, even though they didn't get a chance to perform," added senior Carolyn Pajor.

The team was not only united on the court, but also off the court. "We used to go out before many of our games. We were all good friends and always got along with each other," said Kris.

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>
> Coach Dick Hunt

Although the team played as a whole and not individually, they seemed to lack a few needed ingredients.

Leadership was a key factor missing throughout the season. "When Cindy Simko would go out, it seemed as if no one was playing together. Everyone relied on Cindy," Michelle Plantiga, senior explained.

Along with the lack of leadership, inconsistency in performance played a role for the team, as they dropped out during the first round sectional play. "Everyone was nervous and not concentrating as we needed to be," commented Michelle.

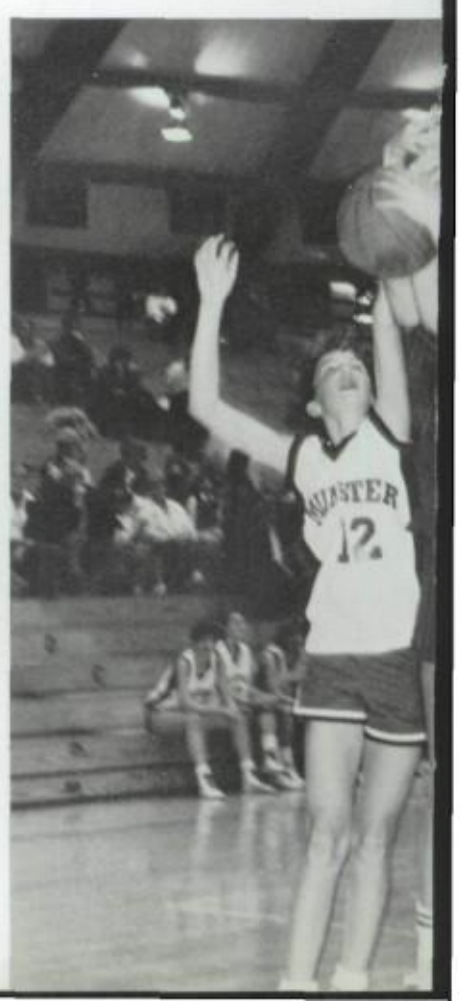
Also adding to the team's downfall was an untimely lack of rebounding. "As a team we could have been more aggressive when it came to rebounding," explained senior Co-captain Cindy Simko.

A surprising loss during the season occurred when the Lady Mustangs lost to Lowell, 45-49. "We weren't mentally ready for the game," explained Coach Hunt. "We just weren't thinking about that game." The Mustangs went on to lose in overtime.

Pushing it up
Covered by tough defensive pressure, senior Co-captain Cindy Simko tries to work the ball inside. The team captured the victory by defeating Hammond Morton, 50-30.

Overtime
With an effort to perfect her lay up skills sophomore Lisa Baciu puts in extra time after practice. Sticking around after practice to work helped players improve their game.

Trapped
Swarmed by the tough defensive pressure of sophomores Ellen Blackmun (12), Paulette Pokrifcak (21) and Lisa Fiegle (14), the Highland shooter was held back from retrieving a rebound. The Mustangs went on to defeat the Trojans, 38-25.



Girls' Varsity Basketball

	MHS	OPP
Hammond Clark	59	48
Whiting	39	21
Gary Wirt	52	48
Lowell	45	49
East Chicago Central	51	44
Crown Point	31	35
Hammond Gavit	56	44
Griffith	46	25
Hanover Central	47	40
Munster Holiday Tournament		
Hobart	47	40
Hammond Gavit	43	42
Lake Central	42	66
Highland	45	37
T.F. South	74	28
Hammond High	57	36
Bishop Noll	57	29
Hammond Morton	50	30
Calumet	45	34
Sectionals		
East Chicago Central	46	51

15-4

Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball

	MHS	OPP
Hammond Clark	34	33
Whiting	16	15
Gary Wirt	46	10
Lowell	20	16
East Chicago Central	23	39
Crown Point	15	28
Hammond Gavit	38	16
Griffith	40	5
Hanover Central	40	30
Lake Central	35	47
Highland	38	25
T.F. South	23	33
Hammond High	31	23
Bishop Noll	29	37
Hammond Morton	29	10
Merrillville	46	50

10-6

Listen up
As they wait for further instructions from Coach Dick Hunt, the Mustangs listen attentively during their time out. Time out special instructions helped the girls go on to defeat the Highland Trojans, 45-37.

Workable strategy
Giving and taking some pre-game advice, Coach Dick Hunt and junior Jen Paulson discuss the upcoming game. Jen was named to second All-Conference team for her efforts during the basketball season.

Break-away
Trying to score two easy points, sophomore Anne Bibler, junior varisty forward, escapes from Highland's defensive pressure.

Girls' Varsity Basketball. (front row) Toula Kounelis, Michelle Plantiga, Cindy Simko, Diane Hanus, Lisa Kraynik, Tia Pitkanen, Coach Dick Hunt. (back row) Sharon Pavol, Jenna Chevigny, Kris Siebecker, Jennifer Paulson, Lisa Baciu, Carolyn Pajor.

Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball (front row) Kim Hesek, Ellen Blackmun, Kelly Cronin, Sara Mintz, Cindy Mikolajcyk, April Rivercomb. (back row) Coach Jane McConnell, Robin Zipko, Amy Stugis, Paulette Pokrifcak, Amy Gifford, Lisa Fiegle, Anne Bibler.

One-on-one
Driving the right side of the key, sophomore Sharon Pavol makes an attempt to beat her opponent to the bucket. Though only a sophomore, Sharon added team depth as backup forward to senior Michelle Plantiga.

Fire-up
As the starting line-up is announced, the bench cheers on the team before the opening round of sectional play. Although not getting as much playing time as the starters, the bench offered continued team support.

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SHATTERED

Defeating state-ranked Hammond Clark also added a surprise to the roller-coaster season. The Mustangs won 59-48. "It was a great win and the team got a positive attitude, which carried with us through the entire season up to sectional play," sophomore Lisa Kraynik said.

Along with the surprises, the team set goals they wanted to achieve by the end of the season. One fulfilled goal was defeating Hammond Gavit to win the Munster Holiday Tournament. The team also achieved a better overall season record.

Despite losing in first-round sectional play, the Lady Mustangs stood by each other through thick and thin. Friendships, fulfilled goals, and a 15-4 record helped to ease the pain of a season that "should have been."

Watchful eye
Keeping her eye on the ball, freshman Sara Mintz tries to block the oncoming Highland pass. The junior varsity team went ahead to defeat Highland, 47-35.

Flying high
As she takes the ball to the basket, senior Cindy Simko, Co-Captain, makes an effort for an easy two points. Cindy went on to be named to Second All-Conference team.

Lack of support, varsity experience leaves 'Stangs

CORNERED

As a newborn pony learns to take its first fragile steps, he gradually develops his coordination into a trot and full gallop. So too, the Boys' Varsity Basketball team learned that success doesn't happen in the snap of a finger. With only one returning letterman, the team teetered and stumbled their way to becoming "full grown" Mustangs.

The Mustangs got off to a quick start with an early season 7-2 record under the leadership of their only experienced player, senior Kevin Trilli. "Our quick start really helped our confidence and some early victories offset our inexperience," stated Coach Dave Knish.

Maturity was also a factor which helpd the Mustangs overcome their lack of experience. "This team was a very mature group and that contributed to the success the team achieved this season," added Coach Knish.

"We may not have had an undefeated season but we sure didn't lose."
senior Tim O'Mara

As the team overcame their mental inhibitions, they, like most teams, had periods of disappointments and major achievements. "We've had some good wins this season. One of our biggest wins was against Highland in overtime, 72-69, mainly because of the rivalry, but it was also important for our confidence early in the season," stated senior Tim O'Mara.

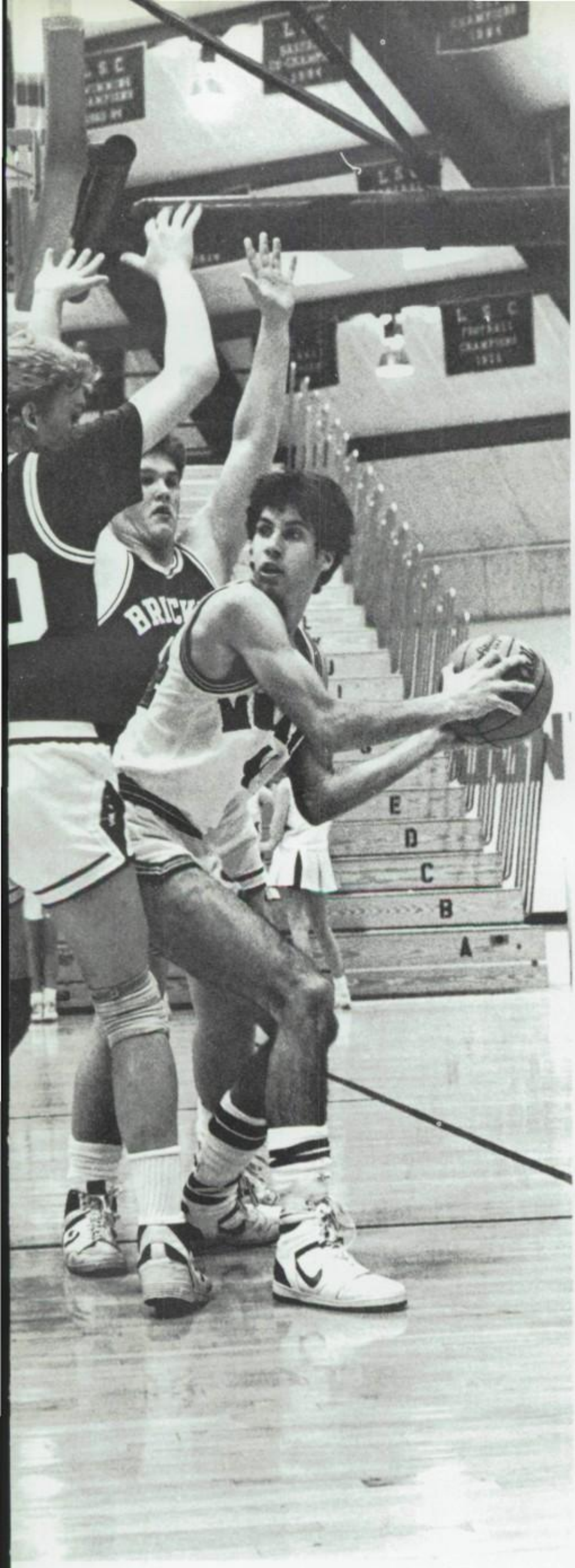
Every team has their stumbling blocks throughout a season, whether it be an injury or a heartbreaking loss. "Being up by 13 points and losing to Crown Point in the Sectional Semifinal was disappointing; but more so, that loss signaled the end of my and the other seniors high school careers," stated senior Kevin Trilli, captain.

The Mustangs enjoyed a second season through their play in Sectionals. "Many coaches say that the bulk of the season is used to prepare for Sectionals," Kevin stated. The boys beat the host Calumet Warriors in the first round of the Calumet Sectionals. "We played our best against Calumet and then against Crown Point in the Semi-finals," added Kevin.

"The win over the host team was sweet because it was a type of revenge after Calumet beat us in Conference play," stated Coach Knish.

Sectionals provided a fun time for both fans and players. "Sectionals is especially fun for the students because its really the only time when the majoriety of the school is together cheering and having a good time," explained junior Kristen Rittenmeyer. Players can find it rewarding to play in front of

All eyes
While looking for a hole to pass through, senior Paul Cipich tries to take advantage of every mistake made by the opponent. Capitalizing on mistakes not only helps the team, but it can often have a negative ill effect on the opposition's consistency.



Double Trouble
Knowing a double team often leaves an open man, captain Kevin Trilli, senior, looks to pass in order to get an advantage over his Hobart opponents. A well-placed bounce pass proved to be an easy way for setting up a jump shot and score.

Jump to it
At the peak of his jump, sophomore Mike Trilli attempts to tip the ball to a teammate. The all important first possession can boost morale and build the team's confidence.

Boys' Varsity Basketball

	MHS	OPP
Hammond Gavit	87	61
Hammond Clark	81	64
Hammond High	57	62
Lowell	59	56
Highland 72	69	
Hammond Morton	70	58
Portage	63	78
Westville	83	72
Lake Central	55	52
Andrean	65	92
Calumet	57	61
Chesterton	61	77
Griffith	73	65
Merrillville	54	83
West Vigo	55	71
Crown Point	59	65
Valparaiso	58	70
Bishop Noll	55	71
Whiting	83	66
Hobart	53	64
Sectional		
Calumet	70	58
Crown Point	65	68

10-12

Freshman "A" Team

	MHS	OPP
Calumet	27	25
Andrean	36	39
Lew Wallace	42	52
Griffith	46	40
Highland	43	38
Bishop Noll	31	33
Pierce	39	61
Hammond Morton	58	31
Valparaiso	28	39
Mishawaka	37	35
Whiting	59	55
Harrison	41	39
Clark	49	32
Lake Central	38	46
Lowell	54	43
Hammond High	47	38
Crown Point	44	45

10-7

Junior Varsity Basketball

	MHS	OPP
Hammond Gravit	59	53
Hammond Clark	70	36
Hammond High	39	54
Lowell	46	41
Highland	40	51
Hammond Morton	35	38
Portage	46	52
Westville	60	46
Lake Central	38	53
Andrean	67	76
Calumet	56	46
Chesterton	53	35
Griffith	35	36
Merrillville	39	59
West Vigo	51	76
Crown Point	44	52
Valparaiso	31	37
Bishop Noll	40	48
Whiting	55	36
Hobart	45	50

7-13

Freshman "B" Team

	MHS	OPP
Calumet	40	36
Andrean	37	28
Lew Wallace	20	52
Griffith	39	26
Highland	24	27
Bishop Noll	34	38
Pierce	39	25
Hammond Morton	33	29
Valparaiso	24	25
Mishawaka	29	27
Harrison	48	47
Lake Central	31	45
Hammond High	28	37
Crown Point	43	35

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a large crowd and more often than not it brings out the best quality play. The sixth man (the crowd) can be a big help during the Sectional tourney and often inspires a team to cope with the pressures of the single elimination tournament. However, the 'Stangs made it through the greater part of the season without much fan participation. "A crowd puts a lot into the game and when the crowd consists of only a few students, the players sometimes just go through the motions," stated Coach Knish.

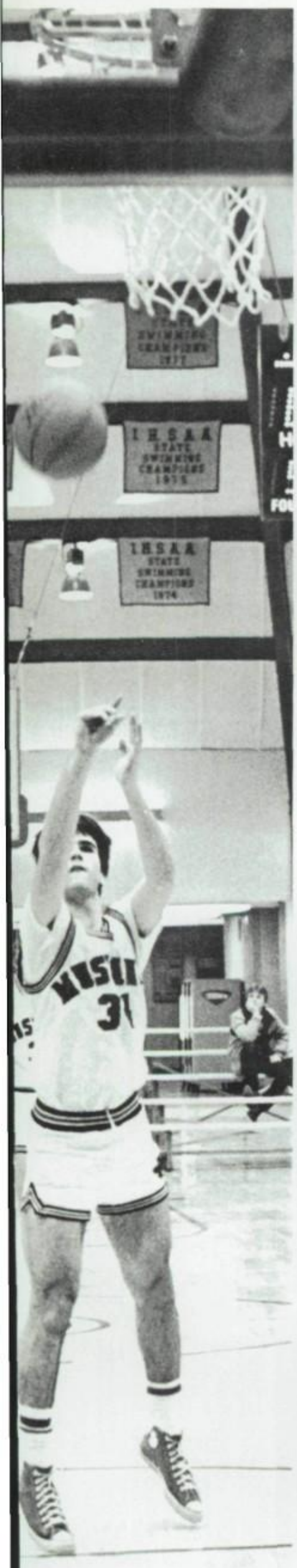
An overall 10-12 record may not be enough to excite some, but the Mustangs realized that there is more to a season than just wins and loses. "The record may not show it, but we did have a successful season. We gained much needed experience with our three returning starters. "We may not have an undefeated season, but we sure didn't lose," stated O'Mara.

After ending the season with a 10-12 record the Varsity Basketball Team made a final appearance at the Winter Sports Banquet, where Coach Knish presented awards to the season's outstanding members. Junior Chuck Pawelko took the Free Throw Award and junior Ben Morey earned Most Steals and the Pride, Hustle, and Desire Award, Senior Tim O'Mara received the Field Goal Percentage Award, and senior Paul Cipich won the Assists and Senior Attitude Awards. Senior Kevin Trilli received the Rebound and Ray Commandela Award for the top student athlete. Trilli was also named the Lake Suburban Conference "Player of the Year" and to the Times area All-Star Team.

Just as a pony stumbles and falls, it always has a chance to try again. So the Mustang basketball team had its difficulties, but ultimately strided off toward a successful season.

Timeout
Planning out a strategy, Coach Dave Knish attempts to set up a plan to help defeat Crown Point for the Conference championship. However, the Mustang's strategy fell short as they were defeated 65-69.

Eye for detail
With a flick of the wrist, junior Ben Morey shoots one and the bonus in hopes to put the icing on the cake in an overtime victory against Griffith. Good freethrow shooting often determines the difference between a loss or victory.



Keep away
Opting not to shoot, junior Chuck Pawelko looks to passing and teamwork for team success. Chuck's lob pass into the middle helped set up a three-point play, while pushing the team toward a victory.

Posting up
In position to receive a pass, junior Brendan McCormack (40) holds off his Griffith opponent Lance Russell in hopes to gain an offensive advantage. Offensive and defensive positioning are two major aspects for attaining a winning edge.

Boys' Freshman Basketball Team (front row) Pat Mason, Dave Mussatt, Dan George, Bob Morris, Tom Morey, Mark Deal. (row 2) Don Fesko, Kevin Gerdt, Brian Andershack, Scott Giba, John Theis, Chris Bryant. (back row) Coach Ross Haller, Eric Lander, Steve Semchuck, Ted Porter, Tom Renwald, Curt Sobolewski, Coach Jack Yerkes.

Boys' Junior Varsity Basketball Team (front row) Tom Luksich, Chris Casper, Mark Gonzales, Alan Zabrecky, Kevin Baradziej, Victor Carlos. (back row) Bill Gibbs, Brent Bodefeld, Rodney Vanator, Owen Deignan, Anthony Powell, Rich Myer, Coach Greg Luksich.

Boys' Varsity Basketball Team (front row) Tom Boyden, Carlos Carlos, Gary Eldridge, Ben Morey, Paul Cipich, Chuck Pawelko, manager Greg Schwarts. (back row) Coach Dave Knish, Dave Schoon, Mike Trilli, Brendan McCormack, Dan Hollis, Tim O'Mara.

Plagued by illness, wrestlers overcome odds, leave opponents

PINNED

"An apple a day keeps the doctor away." If this proverb is true, then the wrestling team would have done well to buy an apple. However, in spite of a season plagued by illness, injury, and inexperience, the team advanced five healthy wrestlers to Semi-State.

"It was a tough season. We were ravaged by the flu three times," explained Varsity Coach Dennis Haas, industrial arts teacher.

"A big disadvantage was the fact that we lost ten seniors and for a lot of guys this was their first year wrestling varsity," said Coach Haas.

The team may have seemed to need a supplement to their diets, but instead of adding an apple they added something else equally good for them—a sense of team spirit.

> "Anytime you can send five wrestlers to Semi-State you know you have done a good job."
> Coach Dennis Haas

"We were really close," agreed sophomore Jason Ryband. "We all cheered for everybody whether they pinned someone or got pinned."

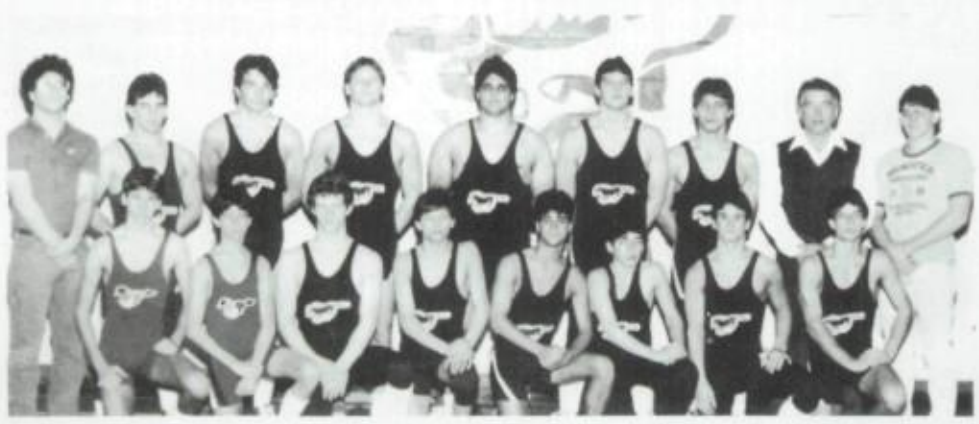
Another key factor in the 9-7 season was senior leadership. "I saw that our seniors gave the team more support than seniors at other school," said Coach Haas.

All these factors helped as Coach Haas felt the team had a good season. "Anytime you can send five wrestlers to Semi-State you know you have done a good job," expressed Coach Haas.

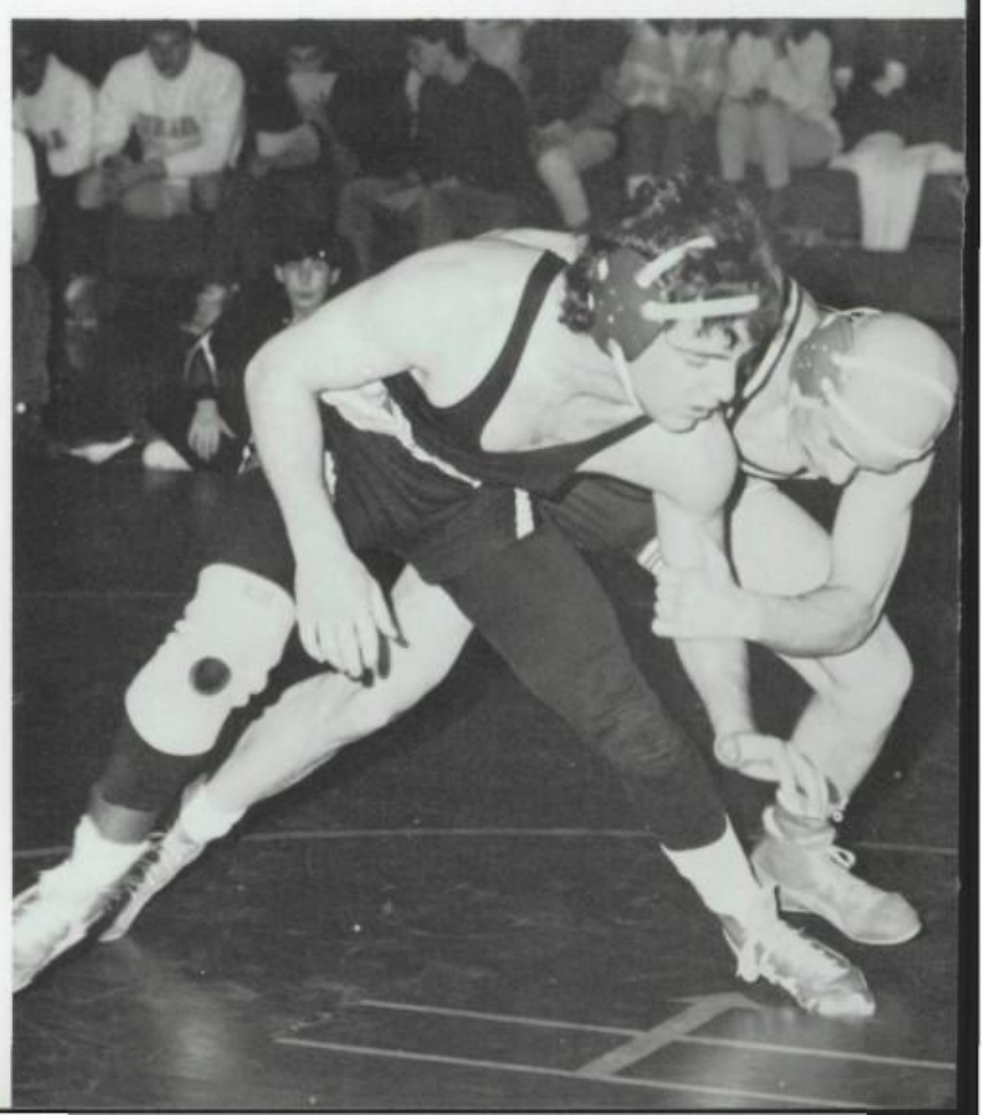
One wrestler, junior Bill Melby, advanced to State. He lost his first match, but still enjoyed himself. "It was a lot of fun competing in State because of all the wrestlers there. I just wish I could have won one more match," Bill said.

Although at some times Johnny Appleseed's line of work would have served the team well, they managed to have a winning season by using unity and strong leadership to their advantage.

An advantage
In an attempt to flip his opponent and pin him, junior Bill Melby concentrates on the best move to use. Bill eventually defeated his adversary and went on to wrestle in State competition.



Boys' Wrestling Team (front row) Victor Fortin, Sean Welsh, Steve Cerajewski, Brian Preslin, Tom Ellison, Mike Bacino, Tim Sannito, George Tsirtsis. (back row) Assistant Coach Mike Stern, Dave Gladish, Andy Maniotes, Jason Ryband, Frank Scheive, Bill Melby, Jim Dryjanski, Coach Dennis Haas, Assistant Coach Mike Roper.



Varsity Wrestling Team

	MHS	OPP
Whiting	48	27
South Bend Riley	42	25
Lew Wallace	67	6
Crown Point	9	54
Penn	8	52
Valparaiso	27	38
West Side	64	3
Chesterton	24	50
Lake Central	33	37
Lowell	42	31
Calumet	24	36
Bishop Noll	72	6
Kankakee Valley	41	21
Horace Mann	63	10
Highland	21	36
Griffith	46	22

9-7

he great escape
everage is the key to success as enior Dave Gladish tries to elude a akedown by re-positioning footing. s footwork paid off as Dave defeat- d his Lake Central foe.

Two points for takedown
With hopes of pinning his competitor to win the match, junior Brian Preslin tries to keep his opponent's shoulders down for the required three seconds. Brian succeeded in his attempt and won the match.

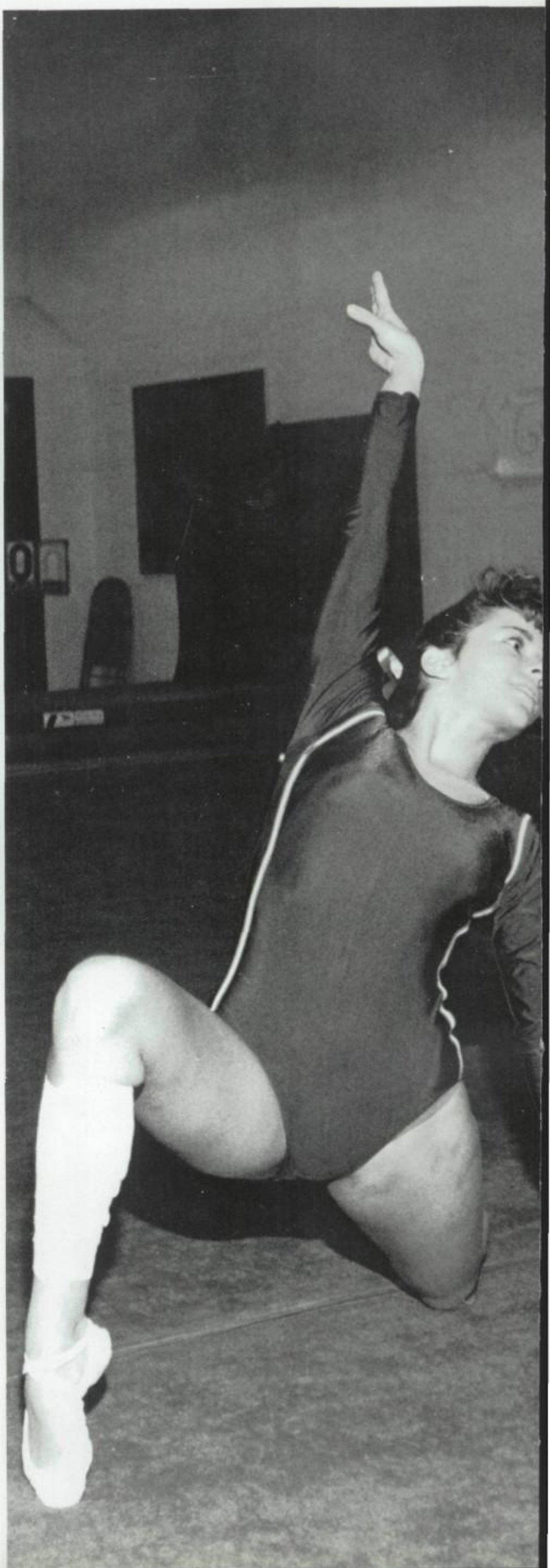
Hangin' around
As she mounts the uneven bars, freshman Erica Boehm completes a back hip-pull over to begin her routine, as Coach Roy Owen checks her form. Precision is a necessary part in achieving a perfect 10.

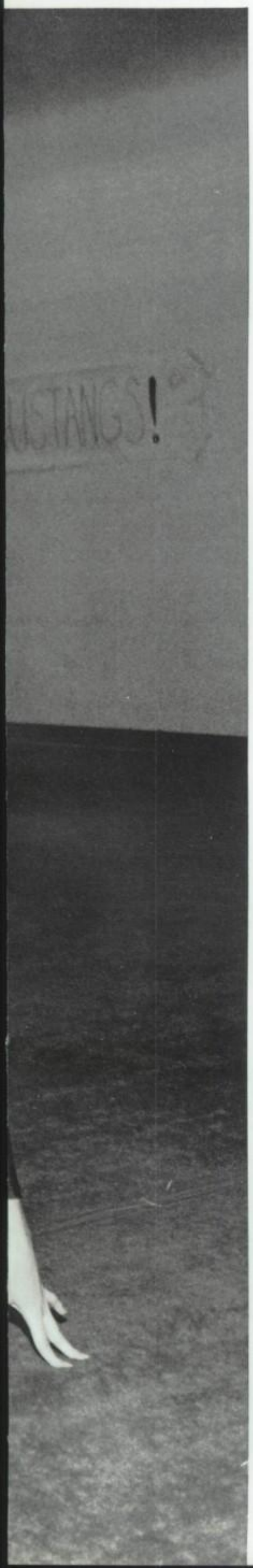
Grace Under Pressure
After completing her floor routine, junior Mary Blaesing strikes her ending pose. Floor routines last up to a minute and a half in length, and the contestants are judged on their acrobatic and dancing ability.

Gymnastics

	MHS	OPP
Valpariso	90.75	102
Portage	92.5	87
Hobart	94.6	89
Lowell	96	78
Merrillville	94.75	102.5
LaPorte	98	91.90
Crown Point	97.65	101
Highland	98.75	91
Chesterton	96.9	103
Conference	2nd place	
Sectionals	3rd place	

Flying high
Practicing her beam routine, junior Mary Blaesing performs a split leap. Extra practice helped Mary to be the number one gymnast on the team.





Loss of members, intense practices had girls striving for

PERFECT 10

"Losing those two members greatly reduced the team's depth."

junior Mary Blaesing

Easy come, easy go is exactly how it went for the Girls' Gymnastics Team as two key members departed during the middle of the season.

"Losing those two members greatly reduced the depth of the team," explained junior Mary Blaesing, captain. "There was no room for error in the events, especially on the beam, because you only qualify the top three scores and we were left with only four people."

Despite the size of the team, the girls captured a second in Conference and a third in Sectionals behind Merrillville and Crown Point, the subsequent Conference champions. The girls' success in Conference was due mostly to team unity. "The team unity was a key factor in our success as a team. Since we had such a small team, it was necessary to psych each other so we could keep our minds on doing our best," said sophomore Tammy Hollis.

With a 5-4 record, the team had some impressive performances. "The Highland Invitational was a great meet for all of us," Tammy explained. "We were up against some of the toughest competition in State and we all did real well." Mary Blaesing placed third in Floor Exercise and fifth All-Around.

The size of the team did present problems initially for team spirit. "After the two girls quit we all felt like quitting, because we didn't think it was possible to compete effectively with four people," Mary said.

The size also effected the outcome of close meets and the team record. "We lost to Crown Point, our biggest rival, by a few points due to the lack of depth," explained Coach Roy Owen. "I pushed the girls hard because we had such a small team, and it was important to be flawless."

Despite a lack of depth, the girls proved through hard work and determination that anything is possible, including as a second in Conference and a third in Sectionals.

A helping hand
Warming up before the meet, Coach Roy Owen spots sophomore Tammy Hollis as she attempts to complete her half twist on to the vault. Coach Owen provided assistance and constructive criticism during pre-match warm-ups.

Girls' Gymnastics team: (front row) Jill Moore, Sally Brennan, Erica Boehm, Jenny Dedelow. (back row) Assistant Coach Suzanne Owen, Mary Blaesing, Kristen Walter, Tammy Hollis, Coach Roy Owen.

Packed fan buses, rowdy rallies prove

FANS HAVE WHAT IT TAKES

Through rain, sleet, hail and snow the mail always gets through. So, too, does that loyal fan, adorned in his team's colors, and his face painted just in time for the big game.

"I think supporting a team through good times and bad is what it means to be a good fan," stated junior Pablo Bukata.

It takes loyal fan support in diverse conditions to keep the team spirits up and help them keep the intensity needed to win. The fans are the "sixth man" for the basketball team; and they're the loyal troopers who help the football team achieve that winning edge.

"When you don't have the fan support, it seems like there is hardly any emotion within the players," explained junior Dave Schoon. "But when they are there, they make a world of difference, and the teams play with a vengence."

While it takes a lot to be a loyal fan, it is a necessary part of the game. Support adds dimension to the game, and for most it is a worthwhile experience.

"I really love to be at the games, and if at all possible, to be a part of assisting the team in being victorious," said Pablo.

Making time for the team is important for players as well as the fans, and so too are the many pre-game preparations. How they dress, act, and "psych" themselves up for the game become important.

"We all dress in red and white and paint our faces," explained sophomore Debbie Paine. "It's important to show support so the team knows you're behind them."

Players as well as fans can not be passive at the games. How they act is directly related to how they psych themselves up.

"You can't be down at the games. You've got to be rowdy. That's what you are there for," explained junior Laura Goldasich.

"I enjoy going out with my friends before the game and having a good time. This gets us up before the games."

Some people feel that paying $2.50 a game is a little expensive, and others prefer to be fair weather fans and go when the team is winning. "If everyone is going to the game, I'll go, and if it's going to be a good game I'll go. But, I don't go to every game because it would cost too much," said junior Tim Sanito.

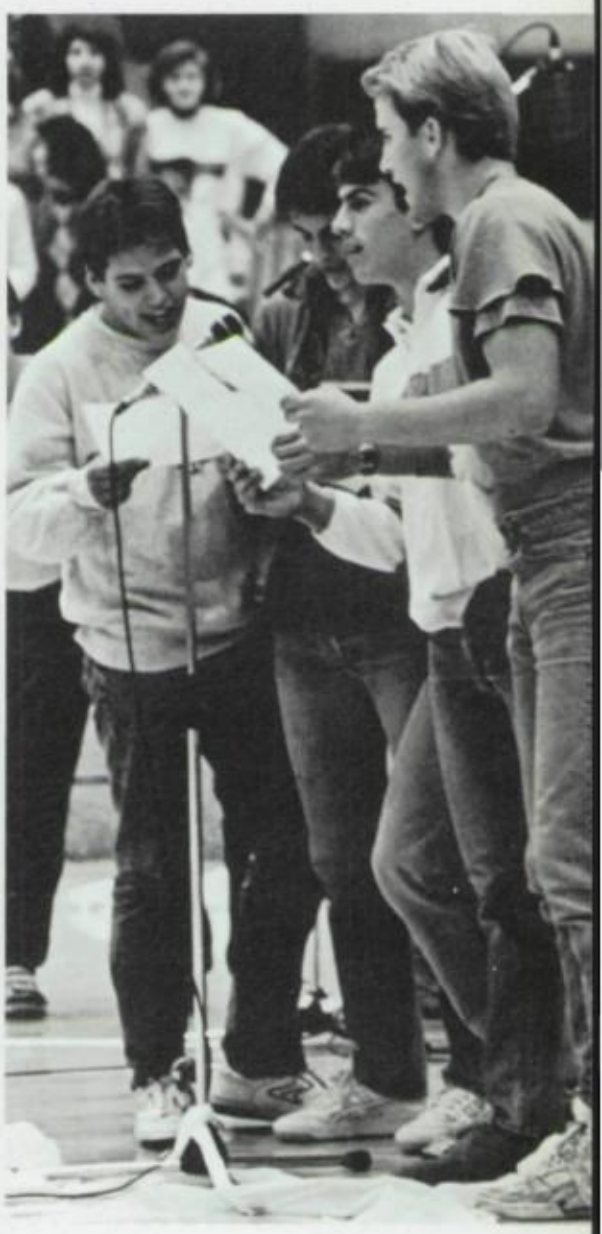
Painted faces, rowdiness and a "never-say-die" attitude are all necessary qualifications in becoming that "Perfect fan." Win, lose, or draw, the true fan keeps encouraging, coaxing, and sometimes coaching their favorite team to a hopeful win.

V-I-C-T-O-R-Y!
With all classes showing their avid support during Sectionals, the Boys' Basketball team went on to win in the first round of competition. The team went on to defeat the Calumet Warriors, 70-58.

Sophomore spirit
Getting prepared for a pep rally, sophomores Lisa Baciu and Sharon Pavol check over their banner to make sure it's perfect. Banners provided a visable support showing class spirit.

One man wave
Valiantly attempting to arouse the fans, senior Jay Potasnik tries to ignite the crowd with a losing effort. Jay's enthusiasm did not go unheeded as the crowd came to life when the Mustangs hit the floor at the Calumet basketball sectional.

Bad, bad Leroy Marsh
Singing a verse from their homemade version of "Leroy Brown," seniors Adam Tavitas, Dan Hollis, Dan Porter and Randy Grudzinski chant their song honoring Coach Leroy Marsh. Members of both the boys' football team and boys' ensembles made a guest appearance to raise spirits during the Semi-State pep rally.



Flyin' high
Showing her support for the football team at Homecoming, junior Jen Uzebell ties red and white balloons to her wrist. Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) sold the balloons for $1.25 in hopes of raising funds and promoting school spirit.

Stopped short of State Title, girls' left LaPorte with their hopes

Smashed

I really thought this season was a huge success. As players, we had confidence in our game— but we were also friends.

Nicole Rusnak
Sophomore

Serving up yet another successful season, the Girls' Tennis Team reinforced their long standing tradition of hard work. With a final record of 15-3 and both the Sectional and Regional titles, the team definitely had something to smile about.

"It was an odd beginning," stated Coach Carmi Thornton, elementary gym teacher. "The rain kept us from really starting the season. We'd have a match and then have to wait a week to play again."

Although the weather didn't cooperate, the team did. "Out of all my four years on the tennis team, I think the team was closest this year," reflected senior Penny Karr, captain. "We had a lot of young, inexperienced players who were willing to work hard to pull ahead in the season."

Volleying past both West Lafayette and South Bend Clay, the Tennis Team recaptured their own Invitational after last year's loss. "I was really relieved. Our hard work really paid off in the tournament," added junior Julianne Chevigny.

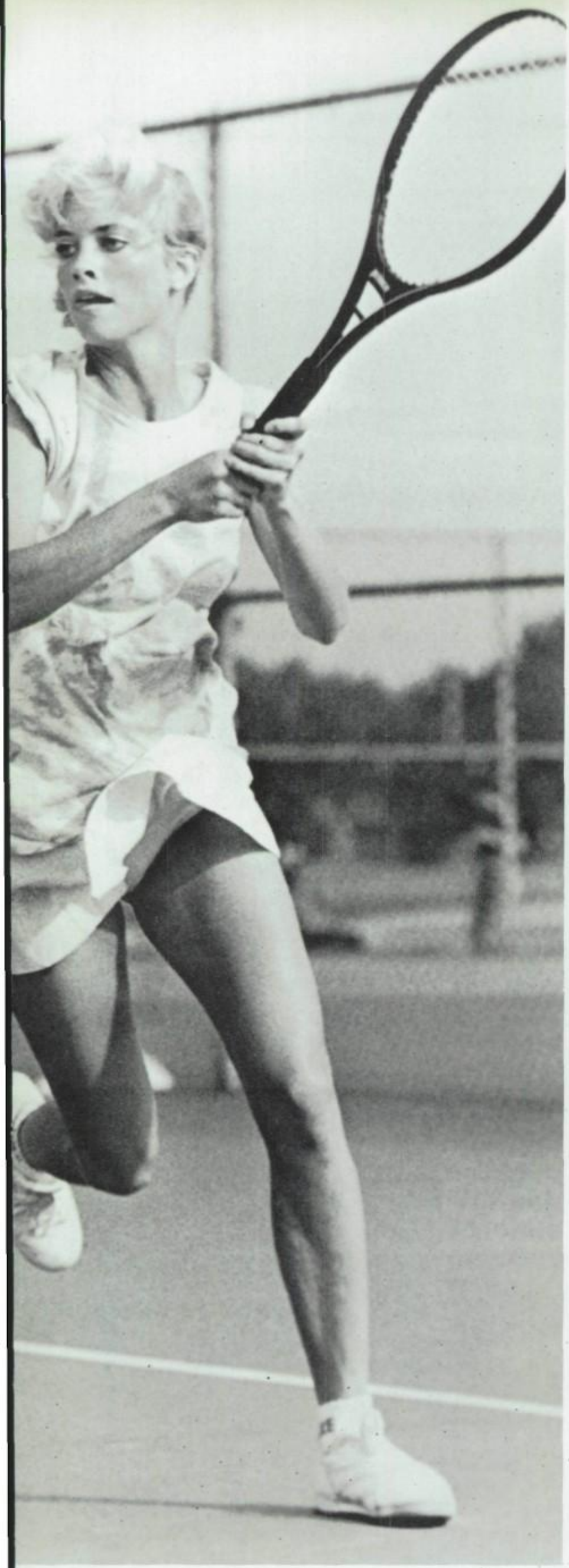
"I really thought this season was a huge success. As players, we had confidence in our game—but we were also friends. We were always there for the team, win or lose. I think that's what made us one of the best teams, said Nicole Rusnak sophomore.

Junior Varsity had an equally successful season. "I think our record speaks for itself," stated freshman Dana Rothschild. "We were undefeated the whole season. I think that JV has a lot to be proud of, for we played a lot of tough teams."

After all was said and done, and the puddles dried, the Girls' Tennis Team still remained on top. As the long, grueling hours of drills and extra footwork diminished, the team proved their season was definitely a straight set victory.

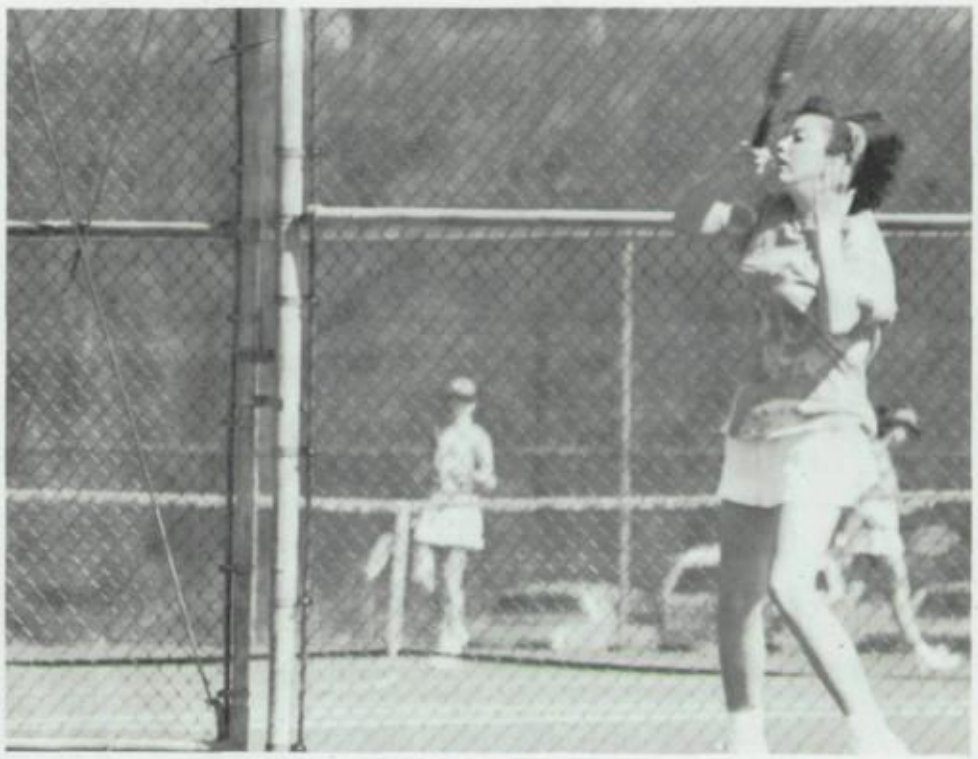
Quick Tips
Cringing her face to emphasize a point, Coach Carmi Thorton bestows the team with some last minute wisdom. Coach Thorton was always there with some winning advice or just moral support.

Twice is nice
While her doubles partner sophomore Anjali Gupta returns a forehand, sophomore Christy Szala awaits the next shot. Even though there's not a lot of individual activity in doubles, it's important to keep your mind on the game due to its quick pace and fast action.



Blazing bullets
With her face locked in concentration, junior Julianne Chevigny prepares to bullet a backhand across the net to her opponent. Early preparation and extra footwork was crucial in order to execute that winning shot.

Leader of the pack
Number one singles player, senior Penny Karr follows through on a crucial baseline shot. One of Penny's top accomplishments included being named first-team all conference.



Girls' Tennis Team. (front row) Becca Ochstein, Alison Rothschild, Stacy Schatz, Dana Rothschild. (row two) Anjali Gupta, Ellen Blackman, Colleen Murphy, Christy Szala, Jen Gershman. (back row) Coach Carmi Thorton, Jen Janusonis, Tori Szurgot, Julianne Chevigny, Jenna Chevigny, Nicole Rusnak, Penny Karr.

Girls' Varsity Tennis

	MHS	OPP
Chesterton	5	0
Portage	5	0
Elkhart Central	1	4
Highland	5	0
Griffith	5	0
Lowell	5	0
Lake Central	5	0
Calumet	2	3
Crown Point Mustang Invitational		
West Lafayette	4	1
South Bend Clay	3	2
Terre Haute	2	3
Merrillville	5	0
Laporte	5	0
Sectionals		
Hammond High	5	0
Highland	4	1
Lake Central	5	0
Regionals		
Bishop Noll	4	1
Semi-State		
Elkhart Central	0	5

15-3

Girls' Junior Varsity Tennis

Chesterton	5	0
Portage	5	0
Elkhart Central	4	1
Highland	5	0
Griffith	5	0
Lowell	5	0
Lake Central	5	0
Calumet	3	2
Merrillville	4	1
Laporte	5	0

10-0

Flying high again
Soaring over the sandpit, senior Roz Lambert completes her first of three jumps in the long jump. Roz went on to set a school record of 16 feet 4 inches in this event.

Ready . . . Set . . . Go!
Nervously awaiting the sound of the gun senior Denise Eckholm and freshman Sara Mintz are about to begin the 1600m run. Despite the team's efforts, Hobart went on to defeat the Mustangs and place first overall.

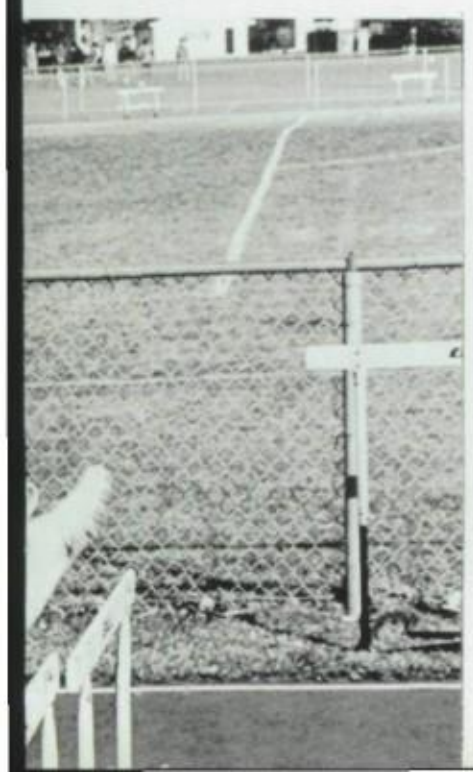
Girls' Track Team

	MHS	OPP
East Chicago Central	60	58
Hobart	44	74
Morton	70	48
Lowell	54	64
Calumet	66	51
Lake Central,	35	71
Griffith		42
Merrillville,	31	79
Andrean		38
Calumet Invitational		5th
Griffith Relays		4th
Conference		7th

3-6

Dash in a flash
On her way to a strong finish, Michelle Safko, freshman, crosses the line after the 100m dash. Natural quickness and agility were both essential to running short distances.

Put your best foot forward
Perfect form over the hurdles helps sophomore Debbie Payne win her 300m heat. Competitive hurdling required a long stride, flexability, and the ability to accelerate quickly.



Tough competition, bad weather, equal season of Frustration

"As a team, we were disappointed that we didn't do better, but the other teams were that much stronger," Coach Don Lambert

It's always frustrating when you put forth your best effort and still get beat. However, when a team puts forth its best effort and still gets beat, it's even more frustrating.

Although the team finished with a 3-6 record, two school records were set, eleven members qualified for the sectional meet and the 4x100 relay took fourth at the IUPUI prep track meet.

"As a team, we were disappointed that we didn't do better, but the other teams were much stronger," said Coach Don Lambert, English teacher.

However, individual members achieved personal goals obvious with two school records set. Senior co-captain Roz Lambert set a new school record of 16 feet 4 inches in long jump. "I set that goal at the beginning of the season," commented Roz.

Also, sophomore Amy Hulett tied the school record of :50.3 in the 300 meter hurdles. "It was exciting to tie the record," Amy said, "since it is my first year in track and I didn't think I'd do that well."

Adding to their list of successes, the 4x100 relay team of senior Wendy Beckman, juniors, Cami Pack and Cindy Pearson and sophomore Susie Beckman placed fourth in the IUPUI meet. Individuals and relay teams from around the state were invited to compete in Indianapolis if they had met set standards during the season. "It was thrilling to run in a meet against nearly thirty teams and finish fourth out of sixteen in our event," commented Cindy.

However, along with the good came the bad. The team confronted difficulty during the Conference and Sectional meets. "We have one of the toughest Sectionals in the state; junior Diane Trgovcich said, "the talented competition plus the fact that we didn't perform up to our abilities caused our poor Sectional performance."

Also, during the Conference meet, the favored to win 4x100 relay dropped the baton. "It was a let down because we were expected to win, and we had high aspirations," Cami said. "Dropping the baton is an unusual occurence and probably our worst nightmare, but it's something that happens."

Weather also took its effect on the team's performances. "At the early meets, we had to bring blankets to keep warm, but by Sectionals it was almost too hot to run," said Freshman Sara Mintz.

Although frustration set in deeper with each loss, the girls pulled together their best efforts to finish the season.

Girls' Track. (front row) Tila Pitkanen, Cindy Pearson, Wendy Beckman, Roz Lambert, Cami Pack. (second row) Alison Glendening, Becky Sims, Michelle Safko, Susan Soderquist, Amy Fraser, Susie Beckman, Shiva Ojagh. (third row) Tammy Checroun, Amy Hulett, Tammy Hollis, Mary Blaesing, Carla Franciskovich, Jen Obenchain, Emily Rosales, Lisa Kraynik, (fourth row) Coach Jane McConnell, Denise Eckholm, Helene Nelson, Sara Mintz, Debbie Payne, Lynette Glendening, Teresa Medynsky, Tina Schmidt, Vicky Vrabel. (back row) Coach Dave Franklin, Erica Mowitz, Beth Sack, Gretchen Gardener, Diane Trgovcich, Linda Wulf, Lisa Dywan, Coach Don Lambert.

Lack of depth, first-year runners leave Boys' Track Team

Cornered

Many teams are the epitome of outstanding individual performances, but lack the depth to be great teams. Michael Jordan of the Chicago Bulls is a prime example.

The Boy's Track Team also lacked the depth to make them a Conference power, yet they had a few outstanding single members.

"We had many great individual efforts, such as junior Doug Walker, who set a new Munster Invitational record in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:00.8," explained Coach Edwin Woodrick. "However, we lacked depth to help us win the dual meets."

Other strong efforts were evident with senior Dan Porter, who broke the school record in pole vault with a vault of 14'3", broke the sectional record in the pole vault with a vault of 14' 2.5", and advanced to State by placing second in the Regional meet with a vault of 14'3".

Senior Eric Hansen accumulated many points in the dual meets by participating in the 100-meter dash, the 200-meter dash, and the mile relay. Senior Russ Balka, who qualified for Regionals in the 3200-meter run, and sophomore Chris Behling, who finished fourth in Sectionals with a time of 4:32.9 in the mile and qualified for Regionals, were also standouts on the team.

> "The younger members lacked the experience and physical maturity which is needed in the crucial meets; but they did show a lot of improvement from the beginning of the season." junior Doug Walker

Although most of the team strength lied within the seniors, some younger members also contributed. "The younger members lacked the experience and physical maturity which is needed in the crucial meets, but they did show a lot of improvement over the duration of the season," Doug stated.

Among the younger members, sophomore Chris Behling showed potential. "Chris ran the 1600-meter race, and he was a key member for the team," explained junior Matt Sobolewski. "As a sophomore, he was one of three people who advanced to Regionals. He also decreased his time from last year by more than nine seconds in the mile."

A low point didn't exist for this team. "We really didn't fail in anything. We figured on finishing around third in conference, and we finished fourth," Eric said.

Due to the lack of depth, the top performers strained to do their best to keep the standings and team morale as high as possible. Though the final record was not the best, the team kept their spirits up and times down through each meet.

Boys' Track Team. (front row) Joe Uzubell, Bill Bennett, Steve Jones, P.D. Paul, Richard Ham, Mike Petrovich, Tom Chen, Dan Scheffel, Robert Petrovich, Bill Gibbs. (row 2) Vic Fortin, Eric Gossler, Vinny Santucci, Kevin Mybeck, Jamie Volk, Eric Lander, Dave Mussatt, Omar Mohiuddin, Jack Davidson (row 3) Dan Porter, Chris Behling, Rokai Ramos, Gary Eldridge, Matt Sobolewski, Chris Smith, Andy Sherman, Brendan Sheehy, Brad Glendenning, Bob Kemp (back row) Coach Doug Conchaldi, Doug Walker, Joe Knight, Russ Balka, Eric Hansen, John Yukich, John Phillips, Coach Ed Woodrick.

Record-breaker
Giving it his best effort, junior Doug Walker pulls ahead of the pack in the 1600-meter run. Doug went on to beat the old Munster Invitational record with a time of 2:00.66.

Boys' Track Team

Hammond Clark	59	45.5
T.F. South		21.5
Hammond Gavit	88	39
Hammond Clark	72	55
Lowell	60	58
Griffith	40	101
Lake Central		18
Calumet	78	50
Andrean Relays		Fifth
Mustang Invitational		Second
Calumet Invitational		Third
LSC Conference		Fourth
Sectionals		Fifth
Griffith Relays		Fifth

5-3 (dual meets)

Out of the chutes
With a little help from Coach Dirk Sloan, senior Eric Hansen attempts to get his best start in the mile relay. A quick start helped the relay team to finish third in Sectionals.

Neck and neck
Battling his opponents from Clark and Calumet, Senior Dan Porter pushes to gain the lead in the 110 meter high hurdles. Dan went on to finish third in the Munster Invitational

In the beach
Blasting his way out of the bunker, sophomore John Reed lifts the ball out cleanly and puts it six feet from the cup. Playing out of the bunker was a feat many golfers found difficult.

Between the lines
With perfect form, senior Pat Jenesky, hits his five iron from the Briar Ridge fairway to the green. His performance helped lead to the defeat of Highland, 170-185.

Boys' Golf

	MHS	OPP
Hammond	163	200
Lowell	171	187
Calumet	171	179
Griffith	174	179
Crown Point	174	177
Andrean	168	167
Lake Central	171	161
Crown Point	171	167
Griffith	172	186
Calumet	172	184
Lake Central	170	169
Highland	170	185
Valparaiso	182	176
Lowell	178	205
Highland	178	185
LaPorte Invitational		24th
Chesterton	169	174
Lake Hills Invitational		10th
Sectionals		1st
Regionals		

11-5

To a tee
Lining up to stroke another 250-yard drive, junior Larry Wiley lays his drive down the right side of the fairway. Larry's strong performance, 78, was good enough to earn him the medalist honors at Sectionals.

Young team, tough bounces can't keep golfers from Victory

"We knew we were good enough to win Sectionals, it was just a matter of executing out shots like we're capable of doing," senior Paul Buyer

Like fine wine, the quality of the Boys' Golf team improved with time. Though characterized as lacking experience and consistency, the golfers proved that immaturity didn't mean failure.

Experience was one aspect of the team the golfers had no control over, but practice and hardwork could be controlled. And these proved to be key elements that made it a victorious season. "Early in the year we were forced to hit bucket after bucket of balls at Briar Ridge (Country Club)," junior Larry Wiley explained. "It really didn't seem worth all the work, but all the practice really paid off because each week our scores would get lower and lower."

As the scores went down each week so did the opponents. The golfers defeated two State contenders, Highland and Lowell, in a row which got the teams' momentum rolling. "Beating them was definitely a big boost to our morale and after that we knew we could win Sectionals and maybe Conference," senior Tim Blackmun said.

But inconsistency played the lead role and led to the downfall and the loss of the Lake Suburban title. "We weren't playing as well as we could have," Coach Ed Musselman, algebra teacher, explained. "We could have just as easily gotten first as we had gotten second, it all came down to the wire and we fell a little short."

The setback of placing second in Conference didn't stop the golfers' momentum. They placed first in Sectionals and avenged some of their earlier losses against Lake Central and Crown Point."

"We knew we were good enough to win Sectionals, it was just a matter of executing our shots like we're capable of doing," senior Paul Buyer explained.

A sectional victory and a victorious season weren't easy tasks. "The success of the team was due to the hard work of everyone," Coach Musselman said. "They were definitely disciplined which is essential for any team to be a successful one.

And like a fine French wine, the boys uncorked their potential as they battled their way to a 11-5 record, proving that older doesn't always mean better. Just look at 1987. For the Golfers, it was a very good year.

Line it up
Studying the green to make sure there are no tricky breaks, senior Paul Buyer waits for his turn to putt. Despite all the time he spent reading the green, Paul missed the putt to the left of the hole.

Boys' Golf Team (front row) Steve Pierce, Phil Wang, Pat Jenesky, Greg Samels, Mike Gozdecki, Eric Holtan, Dan Sebastian, Mike Moskovitz. (back row) John Reed, Don Fesko, Paul Buyer, Kevin Trilli, Larry Wiley, Tim Blackmun, Coach Ed Musselman.

Take Aim
Ready to hook the ball into the corner of the net, junior right wing Tom Boyden sets up a shot. Tom's skillful ball handling help lead him to the goal.

Ball control
As his Clark opponent approaches, junior Jerry Cabrera concentrates on trapping and controlling the ball. Ball control is all important in advancing the ball successfully up the field.

Varsity Boys' Soccer Team (front row) Jason Dragos, Larry Cabrera, Pablo Bukata, Phil Milne, Jerry Cabrera, Tom Boyden, Brian Preslin, Jim Wozniak, Ben Zygmunt. (back row) Coach Jerry Cabrera, Jay Jones, Charlie Wilke, Jay Potasnik, Brian Rudloff, Bill Zeman, Brendan McCormack, Mike Ulinski, Paul Harding, Jim Karr, Goran Kralj, Bryan Kasper.

Varsity Soccer Team

	MHS	OPP
South Bend Adams	1	3
Hammond Gavit	17	0
Valparaiso	4	0
Whiting	5	0
Chesterton	2	0
Andrean	2	1
Merrillville	7	0
Bishop Noll	7	0
Lake Central	9	1
Hammond Clark	6	0
Griffith	1	0
Highland	10	1
Gary Lew Wallace	8	0
Soccer Bowl (Morton)	3	0

15-1

Maximum effort
Trying to elude the defense, senior Goran Kralj pushes the ball past a Portage fullback in order to get in position for a good shot.

Conference title, streak of 15 wins give season the Midas touch

The now world famous treasure hunter Mel Fisher spent years of hard work in search of the most incredible find. Just as hard work paid off Mel Fisher, the Varsity Soccer Team also showed that hard work and determination can lead to the gold at the end of the rainbow.

The Bootmen's biggest victory came against the Portage Indians, after coming back from a 2-0 halftime deficit to win. "I think the team really showed a great amount of determination in order to stay confident and come back, not only to win the game itself, but for taking the conference championship away from Portage," stated Coach Jerry Cabrera.

Winning a conference title is enough incentive to push most teams toward victory. "Portage has long been our rival in soccer, and if Conference wasn't our main objective, beating Portage certainly would be," stated senior co-captain Goran Kralj.

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> senior Goran Kralj

Added to their list of accomplishments, the victory over Portage was only the icing on the cake. The Soccer Team secured the Lake Porter Conference Championship, along with a victory in the Soccer Bowl. The Bootmen also qualified for the Northern Cup State Soccer Tournament. All this was accomplished while the team built a 15 game winning streak.

There are always times however, when a team will come up empty handed. "Our most disappointing loss came against South Bend Adams, the first game of the season. We really wanted to start off with a win," stated senior co-captain Jay Potasnik.

A loss can be as much an incentive as a disappointment. "We saw that our season was not going to come easy after South Bend," explained junior Tom Boyden. "We realized a lot of hard work was needed if we were going to be a contender for the Conference Championship," added Tom.

Fortunately an early loss paved the way for the Bootmen to come up with the gold at the end of the rainbow.

The wall
Taking into account his obstacle, senior Brian Rudloff chooses to shoot around the wall set up by his Gavit opponents during a Munster free kick. Offensive and Defensive strategies often prove to be the difference in the outcome of a game.

Limited ranks, first-round loss, leave girls in

Anticipation

"It was really good to see everyone cheering for one another and never cutting each other down,"
junior Crissy Dinga.

The Alamo. The historical battle of the American soldiers versus the vast Mexican Army. Though the Americans eventually were defeated, their will to win kept them fighting through adversity.

Like the battle of the Alamo, the Girls' Softball Team was outnumbered throughout its battles, yet the will to win kept them fighting tooth and nail in each game.

Having a small turn out during tryouts, the varsity team turned to the junior varsity to fill in some positions. "We turned to gain two Junior Varsity players to fill in the missing spaces we needed," said senior Co-captain Leanne Suter. "The lack of depth of our team was our major weakness this season," she added.

Even though the team lacked players, it didn't stop the team from being confident. "The overall attitude of the team was part of the reason we did well this season," said Coach Pat Premetz, math teacher.

Team unity also played a factor for the team. "It was really good to see everyone cheering for one another and never cutting each other down," said junior Crissy Dinga, second baseman.

The highlight of the season came about when the Mustangs defeated state-ranked Crown Point twice. "Crown Point was always a tough opponent, and in two well-played ball games, we defeated them," said senior Laura Siska. The Mustangs defeated Crown Point 10-7 and 1-0.

Inconsistency in hitting proved to be the low point of the season. "Everyone wasn't hitting at once," said Crissy. "We would get our fair share of hits but they would be erratic," she explained.

Though outnumbered, the girls stood their ground and almost re-wrote "history" as they finished with a 12-7 season record and a third place finish in the LSC.

Girls' Varsity Softball Team. (front row) Kristin Walsh, Laura Siska, Jackie Johnson, Connie Czapla, Diane Hanus, Kristen Sanek. (back row) Coach Pat Premetz, Crissy Dinga, Jeanne Robins, Leanne Suter, Cindy Simko, Michelle Plantinga.

Girls' Junior Varsity Softball. (front row) Sharon Pavol, Lisa Fehring, Kelly Cronin, Jennifer Rudloff, Debbie Rybicki, Renay Montalbano. (back row) Karyn Dahlsten, Amy Gifford, Lisa Fiegle, April Rivercomb, Cindy Mikolajczyk, Kim Hesek, Coach Barbara Johnson.

Hey batter . . . swing
With a quick underhand motion, sophomore Jackie Johnson releases her fast ball to her Merrillville opponent. The Mustangs went ahead to defeat the Pirates 5-3.

You're out
Extending her foot to the base, senior Leanne Suter, co-captain waits for the quick out. Quick reflexes and fielding ability proved essential to stop opponents from reaching first base.

Girls' Varsity Softball

	MHS	OPP
St. Francis DeSales	1	2
Lake Central	3	4
Griffith	7	3
Lowell	10	3
Highland	1	5
Crown Point	10	7
Portage	6	7
Calumet	21	1
Lake Central	2	8
Griffith	6	2
Lowell	2	1
Highland	2	6
Hammond Gavit	3	0
Crown Point	1	0
Merriville	3	5
Whiting	7	1
Calumet	15	3
Hammond Morton	3	1
Andrean	10	1
Chesterton	1	0
Sectionals		
Highland	0	1

13-8

Girls' Junior Varsity Softball

	MHS	OPP
St. Francis DeSales	18	8
Lake Central	2	7
Griffith	0	6
Crown Point	6	10
Highland	1	9
Lake Central	11	8
Merrillville	9	18
Griffith	2	17
Highland	7	8
Hammond Gavit	0	5
Crown Point	3	8
Merrillville	3	4

2-10

Step aside
Conducting infield practice before a game, Coach Pat Premetz hits ground balls to the infielders.

Homeward bound
While senior Greg Adams (9) waits to congratulate him, junior Jim Magrames crosses the plate. Strong hitting provided the ability to pull wins out of late inning games.

Boys' Varsity Baseball Team

	MHS	OPP
Hammond Morton	4	5
Hammond Gavit	10	0
Portage	11	6
Hobart	3	4
River Forest	7	6
Lake Central	3	9
Griffith	6	3
Andrean	1	2
East Chicago Central	9	3
(double header)	8	7
Lowell	11	0
Highland	11	8
Crown Point	3	6
Calumet	3	6
Lake Central	8	6
Gary Roosevelt	19	9
(double header)	10	3
Griffith	5	7
Lake Station	10	0
Lowell	16	6
Highland	4	5
Crown Point	1	4
Calumet	11	7
Mustang Classic		
Hammond High	9	2
Bishop Noll	0	3

15-10

Junior Varsity

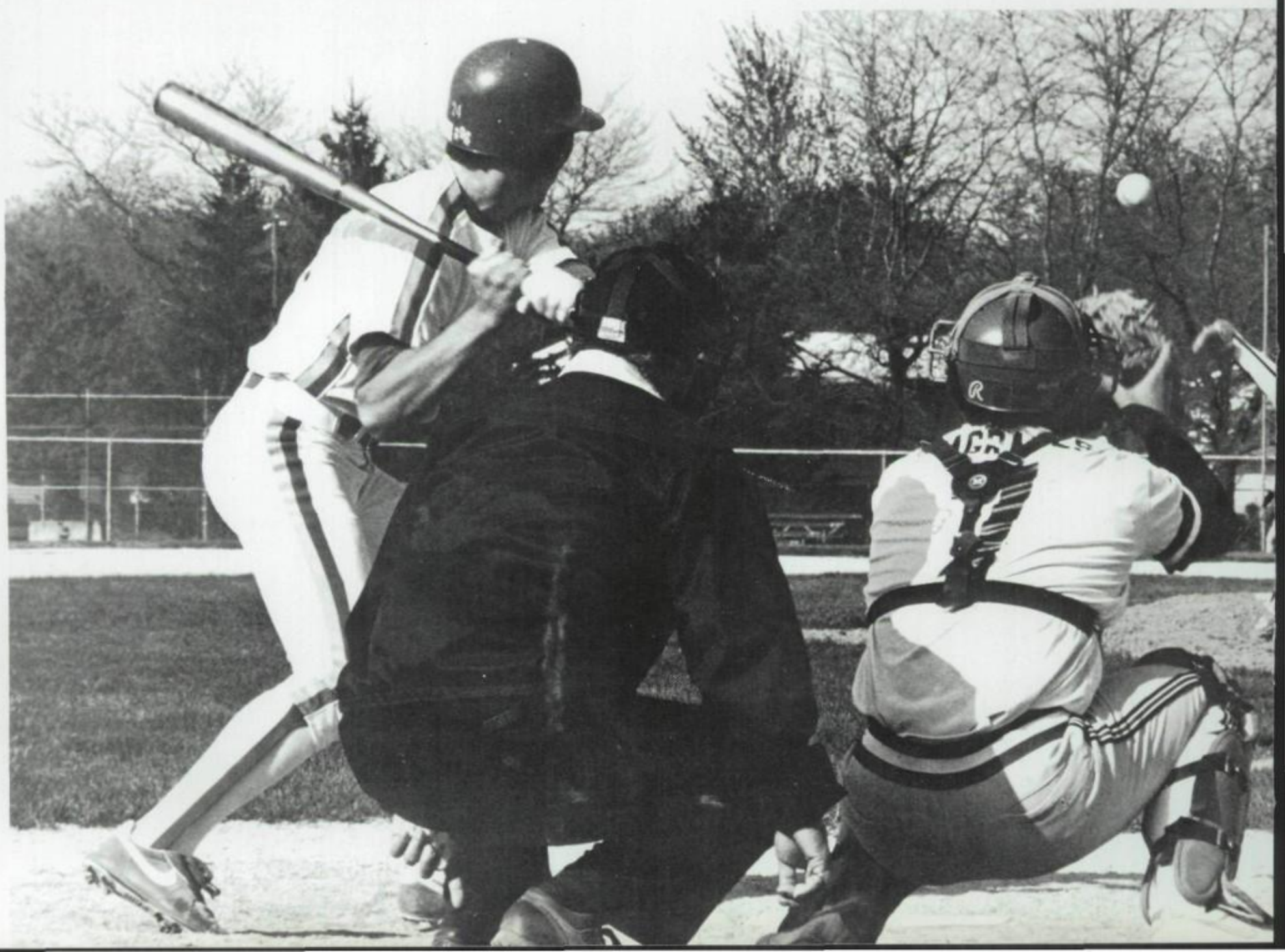
	MHS	OPP
Hammond Clark	6	2
(Double header)	12	2
Hammond High	12	9
Portage	6	9
Hobart	11	1
Bishop Noll	1	2
Griffith	10	3
Lowell	3	5
Highland	7	13
Crown Point	8	4
Calumet	8	2
Lake Central	3	2
East Chicago Central	5	1
(Doubleheader)	16	5
Griffith	9	3
Lowell	10	0
Highland	7	6
Calumet	4	1
Lake Central	3	8
Crown Point	7	6

15-5

Freshman

	MHS	OPP
Bishop Noll	12	5
(Double header)	5	1
Griffith	8	10
Portage	8	2
(Double header)	16	12
Lowell	8	0
Crown Point	12	6
Bishop Noll	4	2
Lake Central	8	6
Pierce	5	9
Harrison	12	3

9-2



Strong teamwork, late inning wins made the "cardiac kids"

Shocking

I called them the "cardiac kids" because they came from behind in a lot of our games. They had a never say die attitude.
Coach Bob Shinkan

"Quick! Call 911! Get an ambulance or the paramedics or a doctor or someone!"

"Why? What's wrong?"

"The 'cardiac kids' are in town."

No, it wasn't innocent people afflicted with a new kind of dreadful disease. It was just the Boys' Baseball Team on their way to a 15-10 season.

"I called them the 'cardiac kids' because they came from behind in a lot of our games. They had a never say die attitude," said Coach Bob Shinkan, math teacher.

"We all played well together, which helped us a lot when games got close, or when we were behind. We all encouraged one another," explained junior Ben Morey.

"The team spirit was excellent. They all pulled together. They had a real camaraderie and worked together really well," explained Coach Shinkan.

All this team spirit led to several high points during the season. "Our top high point was beating Lake Central 8-6 when they were in first place in our Conference," commented Bill Wrona, senior.

Other players expressed a more general point of view than Bill. "Any of our Conference wins would be our high points, because we play in a tough conference and beating any of those teams is very important to us," said junior Chuck Pawelko.

The coach remembered another time as the high point. "We had a four game winning streak mid-season which really built confidence in us, especially because we came from behind in some of those games," reminisced Coach Shinkan.

However, along with the highs came the lows. "The low points were when we lost to Griffith 5-7 and Highland 4-5. They were tough losses because we lost them during the last inning," expressed Ben.

Agreeing with Ben, Coach Shinkan said, "Griffith and Highland were big losses because they took us out of the race for Conference. Our weakest part was probably not being able to stop a big

Throwing smoke
In an attempt to strike out his Highland opponent, junior Mark Panozzo fires a pitch to junior Jim Magrames (7). The Mustangs went on to defeat Highland 11-8.

It takes a thief
Stealing second, senior Tim O'Mara slides underneath the throw. Stolen bases proved helpful in scoring runs.

Sneak a peak
With a backward glance, junior Steve Muller checks to see if he can advance and score a run. In addition to the runner's own judgement, the first and third base coaches aided the runner's decision to take an additional base.

Home free
To help his team on their way to a victory over Lowell, junior Ben Morey crosses the plate. The Mustangs were victorious 10-0.

Over the top
Good pitching form helps senior Pat Rau throw a perfect strike. Despite a lack of varsity experience, Coach Shinkan thought the ptichers did well.

Boys' Freshman Baseball Team. (front row) Don Dombrowski, Brandon Siurek, Brian Holland, Chris Bryant, Scott Giba, Mike Saksa, Tom Morey. (back row) Coach Paul Banas, Steve Semchuck, Curt Sobolewski, Tom Runwald, Matt Young, Eric Tester, Bob Morris.

Boys' J.V. Baseball Team. (front row) Alan Zabrecky, Dave Bainbridge, Thomas Ellison, Aaron Franko. (row 2) Coach Dennis Haas, Jeff Banas, Kevin Baradziej, Julio Arevalo, Bob Morr (back row) Adam Kreiger, Ed Balor Eric Parker, Jason Ryband, David Bei iger.

Shocking *cont.*

inning when it started. This is what cost us those two big games."

The Stickmen had a few big innings of their own due to batting and pitching talent. "I'd have to say our batting was excellent, whenever a team's average is above .300, as ours was, you are in really good shape," stated Chuck.

"Our pitching was a lot better than I had thought it would be because of the lack of Varsity experience, but our pitchers (seniors Greg Adams, Tim O'Mara, Pat Rau, and Bill Wrona and juniors Mark Panozzo and Chuck Pawelko) did well," said Coach Shinkan.

Good hitting and pitching provided for a surprising season, "I think we surprised a lot of people," said Bill. "We exceeded all of our expectations."

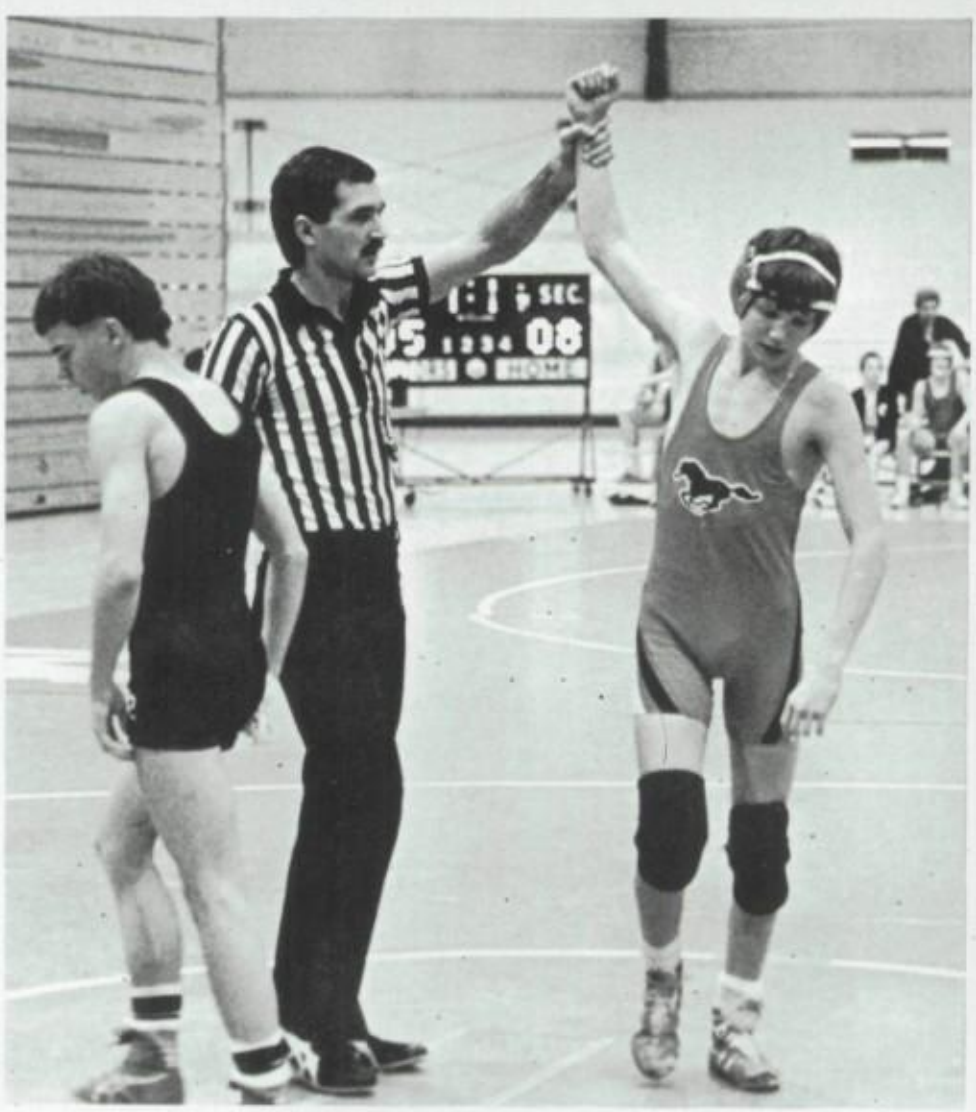
While a doctor may not have been needed, the "cardiac kids" proved themselves through good batting, pitching, team unity, and by pulling off several late inning wins.

Photo finish
Flying in to home, senior Greg Adams tries to beat the throw at the plate. Greg was tagged out, but the Mustangs went on to beat Lowell 16-6.

oys' Varsity Baseball Team. (front ow) Scott Blantnica, Steve Mosovsky, Ben Morey, Mark Panozzo, haun Barsic, Jim Magrames, Chuck Pawelko. (back row) Coach Bob Shinkan, Bill Wrona, Greg Adams, Bill Melby, Dan Hollis, Pat Rau, Tim O'Mara, Steve Muller.

A helping hand
Gripped with pain, junior Bill Pe[illegible] for the verdict as trainers Lisa Pe[illegible]son, junior, and Mr. John Doherty, RP[illegible] check his ankle. Trainers were often kept busy during games and meets grabbing ice packs or retaping ankles.

Practice makes perfect
Speaking with senior Laura Baker, freshman Tina Schmidt and sophomore Jennifer Gust, Coach Paula Malinski gives tips on improving their technique. These helpful tips paid off when the girls did well in meets.



The thrill of victory
Following a tough match, junior Brian Preslin is proclaimed victor by the referee. According to most athletes, winning was the best part of participating in a sport.

Facing the pro's and con's of sports, cautious athletes want to

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK

"Great game man!"

"Way to go—30 points in one game. That's great!"

"I don't believe that game you played Friday!"

The athlete accepts all these compliments with ease and just considers them one advantage to playing on an athletic team. However, he conveniently forgets one big disadvantage: the "F" he got in Government that will prevent him from playing for the next six weeks.

One advantage to being in sports was an increased confidence in one's self. "When I made the team I gained a lot of self-confidence because I knew I was now good enough to play on a varsity level," said junior Steve Moscovsky, varsity football offensive guard.

Coaches agreed that self-confidence and new friendships were gained. They also felt that another plus—winning—aided the athletes. According to Wrestling Coach Dennis Haas, "Winning gives the players confidence and the team gets along better with each other."

However, along with the advantages come the disadvantages. For example, keeping up grades is a problem for athletes. Athletes need a "C" average or better so that they are not benched for the next six-week grading period. This was hard to do after tough practices. "Usually after practice I'm so tired that I don't even think about homework," said junior gymnast Mary Blaesing.

Another disadvantage to being on teams was staying after school an extra two hours. Many athletes found that after seven hours of school and two or more hours of practice, they just wanted to go home and rest.

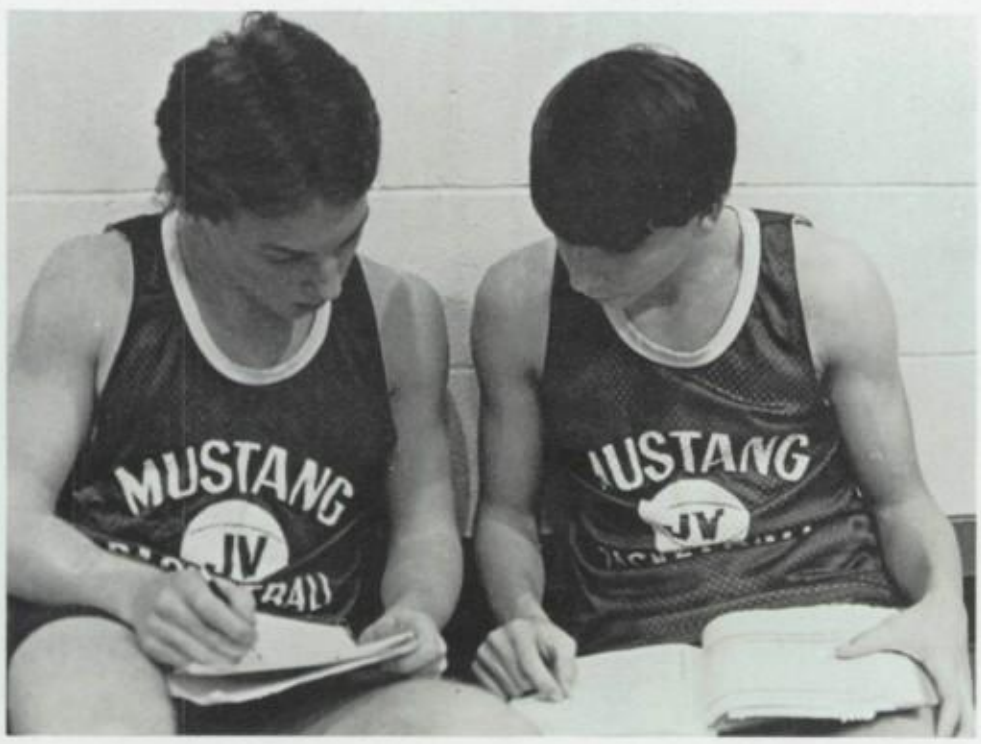
"After being in class all day and then having practice, sometimes I thought I never wanted to go by the school again," joked junior Steve Mueller, track runner.

Athletics interfered with people's weekends. "Wrestlers don't like not going out on weekends," said Coach Haas. "On Saturdays they have to get up early to go to meets, meaning they can't stay out on Friday nights."

Some people felt a person had to weigh the pros and cons before joining a team. "It's not something you have to do," commented Boys' Tennis coach Mr. Ed Musselmen, math teacher. "It's a choice an athlete makes whether or not to become involved in a school athletic team."

The athlete made his decision and knew he had to hit the books if he wanted to crash the boards. If not, he'd be seeing another board, the bench, for six long weeks.

Two pounds to go
In hopes that he can lose weight to make a new weight class, sophomore Cliff Balka skips lunch. Cliff used this time to catch up on his reading for English class.



Study habits
Pencil in hand, sophomore Alan Zabrecky discusses his Geometry homework before practice with sophomore teammate Kevin Baradziej. Those few moments between the end of school and the beginning of practice were often used to catch up on homework that would otherwise have to be done after an after-school practice.

Crack of dawn
Early in the morning, senior Paul Cipich patiently awaits his first catch of the day. Fishing provided a chance for Paul to relieve the pressures of his senior year.

Park putting
With a gentle flick of the wrist, junior Pat Schriener carefully tosses his disc towards the basket. Putting is an important part of frisbee golf, which people play for recreation or competition.

Test drive
In preparation for an approaching curve, senior Cathy Labitan tests a go-cart at the newly opened Munster Junction.

Different storkes for different folks as leisure students fished for

TIME FOR PERSONAL BESTS

Different strokes for different folks applies not only to everyday life, but also to many sports activities available to students.

Some people prefer staying with conventional means and stick with a school organized sport. "I prefer to run against competition, and being on the Cross-Country team allows me to compete against other schools," explained junior Doug Walker.

Others preferred to stay on their own and participate in a sport of their choice and at their leisure. "I do not mind being on a team, but I don't like to be so dedicated that I need the practice every day. Not being in an organized school sport leaves time for me to be involved in other activities," stated junior John Sideris.

Some people felt that they didn't have what it took to play for a high school team, while others didn't have the time everyday to participate in a school sport. "I love to play basketball, but with homework I don't always have the time to play," explained junior Steve McMahon. "I try to get a pick-up game with my friends whenever we have the time."

> "Tae-Kwan-Do is a release from the day's events. It gives me a chance to relax my mind and at the same time helps my physical body," senior Dave McMahon

However, other people felt that they would rather not participate because they do not want to endure the practices everyday. "I'd much rather go home and relax after school than go to practice," said junior Barry Janovsky.

Some individuals chose to participate in sports the school doesn't offer such as frisbee golf. Frisbee golf is played on a nine or eighteen hole course and is very similar to the conventional form of golf. Rather than hit the golf ball in a hole, a frisbee golfer throws the frisbee in a basket while maintining the same scoring system as golf.

Frisbee golfers found it enjoyable to play because it combines a demanding sport with recreational enjoyment. "I like to play frisbee golf because it involves the outdoors and it's challenging. It is not very popular now but its popularity is picking up" stated junior Pat Schreiner.

Others enjoyed playing hockey, a sport not offered at

Gitty up
Whether it's cleaning after "Gordy" in the stalls or exercising him after school, senior Gretchen Gardner accepts the responsibilities of owning a horse. Students found the rewards of having a pet far outweighed the sometimes unpleasant responsibilities that come with a pet.

PERSONAL BESTS

cont.

Munster. "It sort of ran in my family. All my brothers played and they got me interested," said sophomore Thomas Ellison. Students can play by renting an ice rink in Homewood-Flossmoor. "The only drawback to playing at Homewood is the cost and the time you get the ice. The cost is $150 for one hour, and you often have to play at three or four in the morning in order to be scheduled," Thomas explained.

Out of school activities also provided a way to get away from rigors of everyday life. "Tae-Kwan-Do is a release from the day's events. It gives me a chance to relax my mind and at the same time helps my physical body," stated senior Dave McMahon. Classes are held at M.G. LEE Tae-Kwan-Do Academy in Lansing, IL. Tae-Kwan-Do involves the art of defending yourself as well as keeping in shape.

"Riding gives me a chance to get away from it all and relax my nerves." explained senior Gretchen Gardner. "Riding is self-satisfying for me because my horse 'Gerdy' is the one thing in my life I feel I can control."

People have varied reasons for taking up out-of-school activities. Some wanted to be their own coaches and select their own team, while others participated with the school. However, one thing was for sure—you don't have to be a jock to have fun.

5,6,7,8 . . .
Ready to start a series of leg lifts, senior Sheri Fefferman awaits the cue from her instructor. Aerobic exercising was one way for students to keep in shape during the school year.

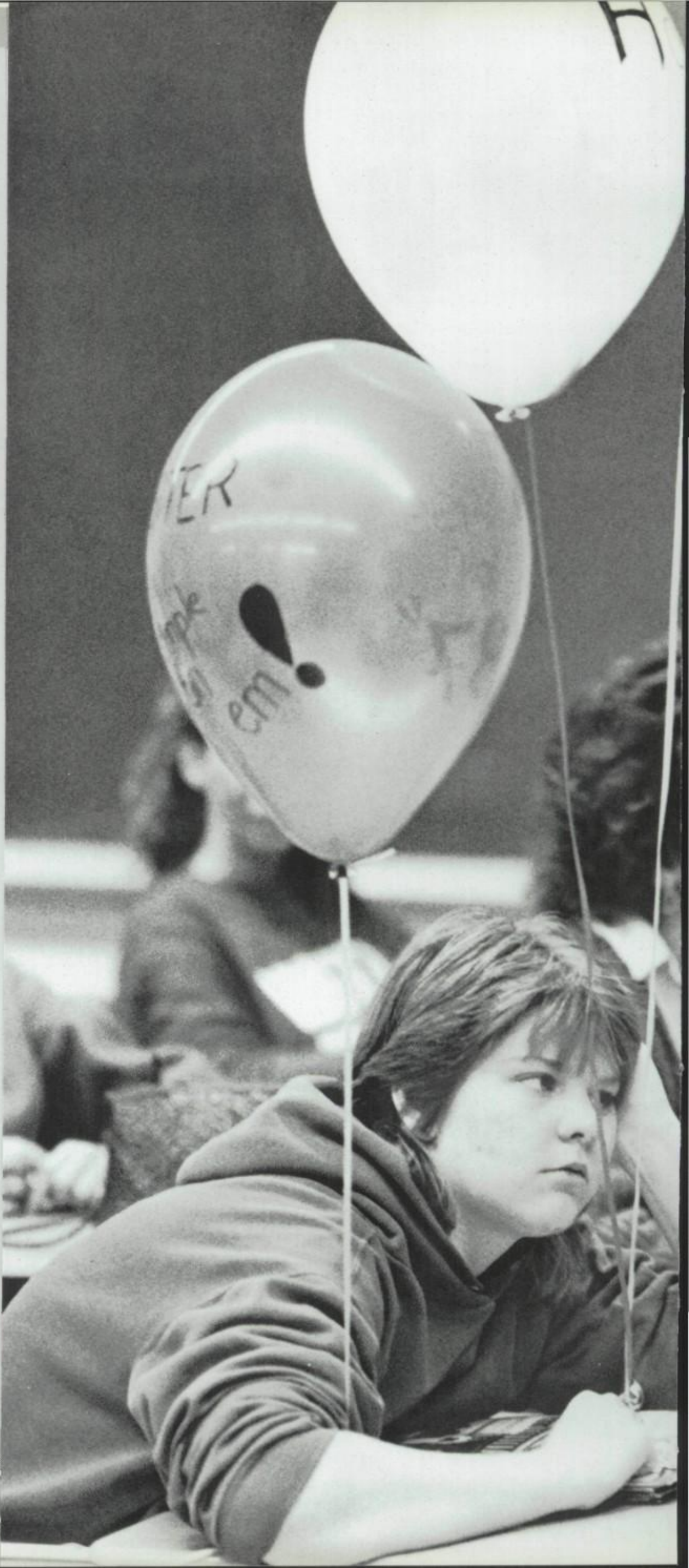
Ready or not
As sophomore Jamie Volk looks down into the half-pipe, he is ready to perform a skateboarding exhibition. "Thrashing" for some students was a means of recreation as well as a form of transportation.

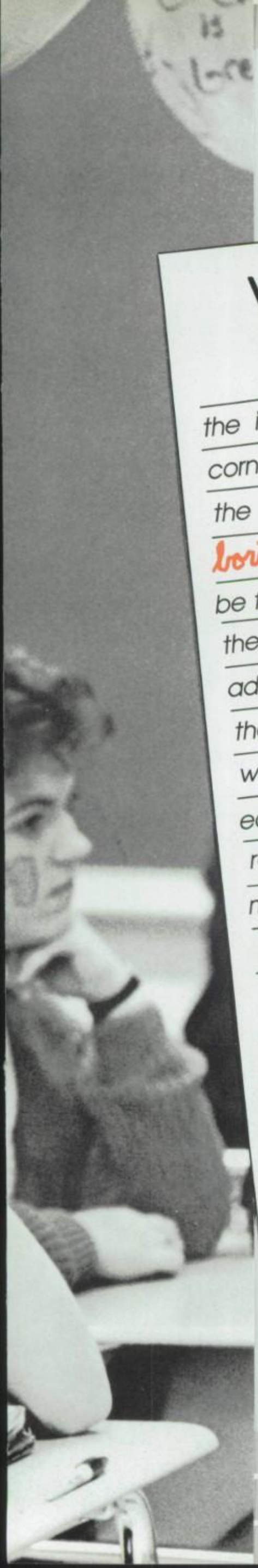
Quick kick
Sparing with his instructor Master Qwak, senior Dave McMahon executes a roundhouse kick. The martial arts teaches not only discipline of the body, but also of the mind.

Fourth and goal
With a desperate lunge for the goal-line, sophomore Tom Luksich eludes senior Rosalyn Lambert for the score. Pick-up football games allowed students the chance to get together with friends after school.

Buoyant spirit?
Frazzled from a night of hectic float-building, senior Julie Rosser patiently tries to concentrate on a Psychology lecture. Students found that waiting for the Homecoming festivities to begin was often a painstaking experience.

Have a heart
Wearing her heart on her shorts, [illegible] Patterson, trainer, stands amidst the players during the second quarter of the Calumet game. From wrapping legs to holding helmets, trainers remained the unsung heroes of many sports teams.

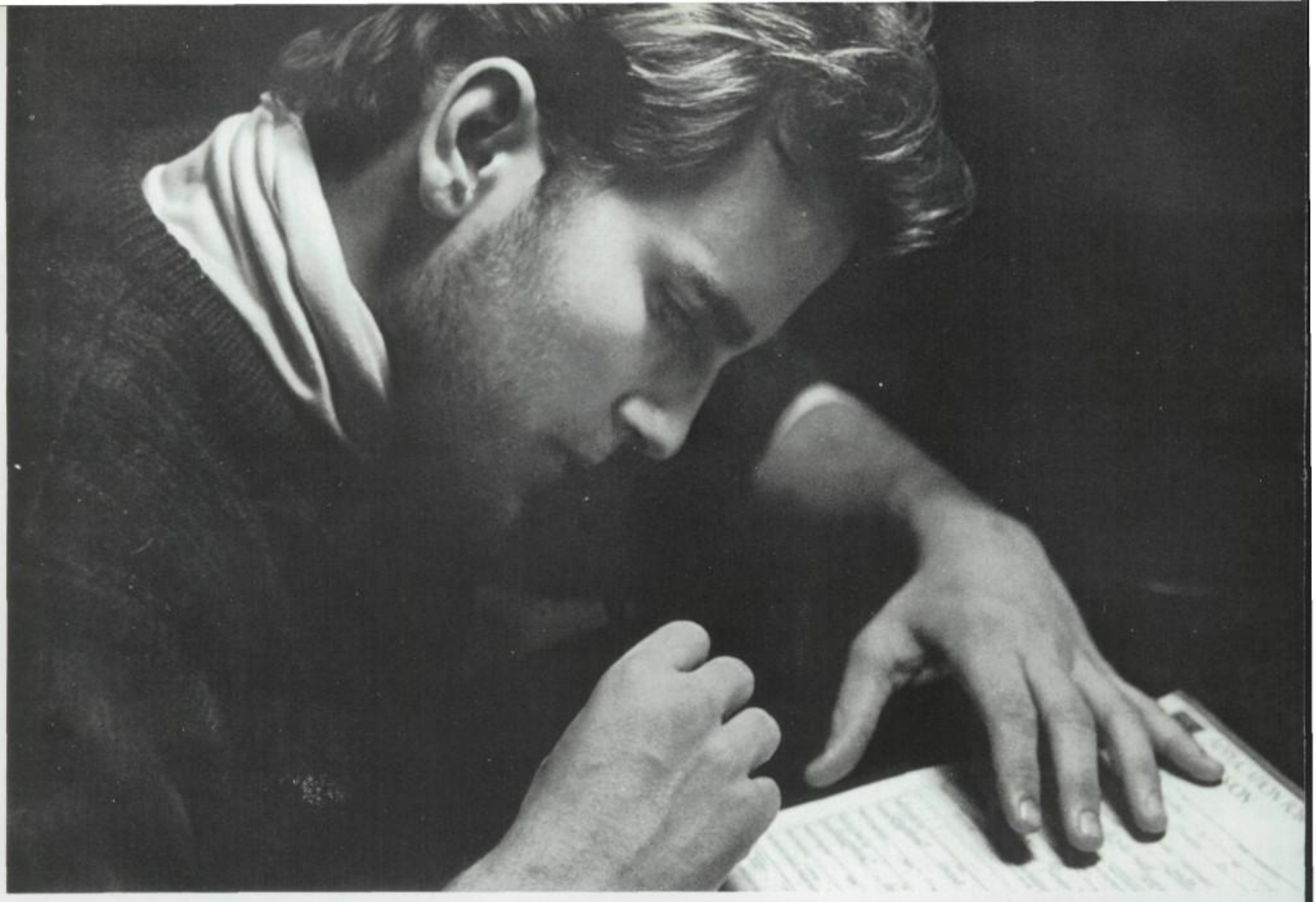




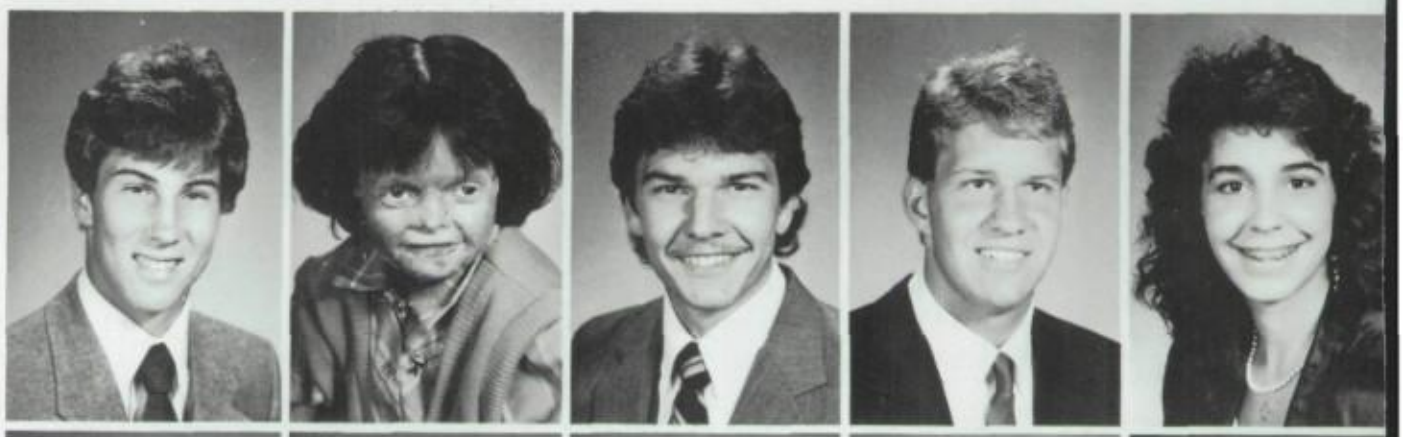
Walking down the central hall of the school, a visitor senses the impression of a clean cut, All-American school tucked in the corner of Northwest Indiana. That observation may not be too far from the truth. However, being clean cut didn't necessarily mean being boring. Starting in the North building, crepe papered lockers could be found announcing the latest birthday in school. Moving back towards the Central hall, pictures of boyfriends, Bon Jovi and other rock stars adorned the insides of the steel boxes. Peering through the open doors of the typing room in the South building, one could expect to see diligent workers, class clowns slumbering and students. Throughout the school, each person appeared different . . . each with his own style. Diversity also reigned supreme in unlikely places such as the, cafeteria where students munched on bag lunches, the cook's choice or on fast food illegally obtained from the local fast-food joint.

Basically, first impressions can be deceiving, and Munster was certainly no exception to the rule. Whether making a statement, remaining conservative or just being their own crazy selves, the student body proved that you don't have to be strange to be different.

Just when you think you've seen them all



Gregory M. Adams: Baseball 9-12.
Lori J. Adams
James S. Agnes
Thomas E. Arcella: Swimming 9-12 (All state, All American); Lettermen 9,11-12; Math Team 11; CEC 12; Paragon 12.
Laura Ann Arent: DECA 11-12.



Michael J. Autry: Swimming 9-12.
Ken J. Babjak: Bowling Club 9-12.
Dana Lynne Baker: Drill team 10-12 (Capt. 11-12); Ensembles 10-12.
Laura Ann Baker: Swimming 9-12 (Capt. 12); Orchestra 9-10,12; Track 9,12; Swimming GTO 9-12; Letterwomen 10-12; Project Biology.
Russ Balka: Track 9-12 (Capt. 11-12); Cross Country 9-12 (Capt. 12).

Melody D. Barrera
Michelle Lynn Basich: DECA 11-12.
Mark E. Basmajian: Football 12.
Melinda D. Beach
Wendy Beckman: Track 9-12; Letterwomen 9-10; CEC 9-11; Drama Club 9; Ensembles 12.

4 Four years in making: no longer just a kid

Almost everyone has wished at one point that they were older than they are.

Students are often heard saying, "I wish I were 16 so I could drive a car," or "I wish I were old enough to live on my own!" But these people don't think about the hardships and responsibilities that come with maturing.

Seniors are usually the first to realize the numerous responsibilities related to getting older. The question of where to get money, along with many parents' favorite answer, "get a job," can pose a problem. "I have a job because I have to buy my own shoes and clothes," stated Denise Eckholm.

Along with finding a job came the problem of how to get there. Many seniors faced the responsibility of buying a car. Questions such as who will pay for it, when to get it, how to afford gas and insurance confronted teens. "I have to pay for insurance, but I don't mind because I feel independent," Greg Adams.

Another realization seniors had to face was planning for their future after high school graduation. A majority of students choose to attend college after high school. Although many parents will pay for their child's tuition, some will not. "My parents are going to pay for the first three years, everything after that, I have to pay for," explained Denise.

Getting a job, to saving for college, or paying for personal necesities, seniors found a lot of pro's and con's to not "being a kid" anymore.

College-bound
Concentrating on his future, Randy Grudzinski writes his application to Penn State. Many seniors sent applications as an insurance that their future would start at a university.

Joe Belovich: Swimming 9-10.
Robert W. Berbeco
Joseph M. Beres
Robert K. Blackford: Swimming 9; Track 9-11; Paragon 10-12; French Club 9-10.
Timothy C. Blackmun: Football 9; Golf 9-12.

Julie Ann Blaine: CEC 12; GTO 10; Drama 10-12; Homecoming Queen 12.
Scott Blatnica: Speech and Debate 10-11; Baseball 9-11; Track 9; Wrestling 9-10; Key Club 9-10; NHS 11-12.
Christine Bobeck: Swimming 9-12; German Club 9-12; Bowling Club 10-12; Swimming GTO 10-11; NHS 11-12; French Club 12; Math Club 10-11; Letterwomen 10.
Sharon E. Boda
Sandy J. Bogucki

Robyn Bogumil: Drama Club 9.
Ryan Eric Boyd
Russell K. Brackett: Orchestra 9-12 (All State 11-12); Swimming 9; German Club 9-12; Math Club 9,11-12; Football 10; Science Club 10-12; Hugh O'Brian Outstanding Sophomore 10; National Merit Commended Student 12; Musical 10-12; NHS 11-12 (Vice Pres. 12).
Carolyn Elizabeth Bradley: Track 9; Paragon 11-12; Drama Club 9; NHS 11-12; SADD 12; Spanish Club 10-12; Speech and Debate 11-12; NFL 11-12.
Tim J. Broderson

Carrie Lynn Brooks: DECA 11; Track 10; Gymnastics 9.
Steve Bryant: Football 9; Ensembles 11-12.
John M. Burson: NHS 11-12;Football 9-11; Spirit Lifter 10-12.
Paul L. Buyer: Golf 11-12; Band 9-12.
Catherine Sue Cak: Drama Club 10-12; Flag corps 9-12; Swimming GTO 9-12; Golf 10-11; Field Trip Club 9-12; Theatre 10-12; AFS 9-10.
Carlos A. Carlos

Michael A. Chronowski: Crier 11-12.
Emily I. Chua: Drama 9; Tennis 9-10; Crier 10; Spanish Club 11-12; SADD 12; NHS 11-12.
Paul M. Cipich: Baseball 9; Basketball 9-12.
Mark Edward Cleve
Amy Cohen: Paragon 12.
Daniel D. Colbert

Ronald W. Cook
Cheryl Lee Cooper: Cheerleading 9-12 (Capt. 10); Ensembles 10-12; Musical 10-12; Student Govt. 10-12; Drama Club 9-12; Theatre 11; Track GTO 10.
Catherine Sue Cornell: Drama Club 9; Spanish Club 9; Ensembles 11-12.
Joe Capkowicz: Football 9.
Brian Jon Czerwinski
Marc Anthony D'Angelo

Kelly Marie Daros: Drama Club 9-10; DECA 11; Musical 12; Ensembles 12; Student Govt. 9.
Denise Lynn DeChantal: French Club 9; Drama Club 9-10.
Kerry Ellen Deignan: Basketball 9; Drama Club 9-12; CEC 9-12 (Pres. 10-11); Thespian 10-12; Speech and Debate 9-12 (Pres. 12); NFL 10-12; Ensembles 10-12; Musical 10-12.
Amy Elizabeth DeRolf: DECA 12; Track GTO 10-11; Drama 10-12.
Denise Kimberly Dettman
Michelle Lori Deutch

William C. Dodd: Football 9; Basketball 9-10.
Lon Donovan
Steven R. Dorsey: DECA 12; Bowling Club 10-12.
Mary Dragomer: Spanish Club 11-12; SADD 12.
Tammy Drzewiecki: Bowling 11.
Kristi Marie Dunn: Student Govt. 10-12; CEC 9 (Pres. 9); Speech and Debate 11; Paragon 12; Wrestling GTO 10; Drama 11.

Christine Duran
William Patrick Durham: Football 9; Soccer 11-12.
Matthew E. Dwenger: Football 9-11.
Michael E. Echterling
Bradley A. Echterling: Football 9; Bowling Club 10-12; Chess Club 12; Speech and Debate 9-12.
Denise Eileen Eckholm: Track 9-10,12; Cross Country 10-12 (Capt. 12); Band 9-11; Letterwomen 9-12.

Four years

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Four score and seven—a very good year indeed

"Four score and seven," eulogized Abraham Lincoln as he spoke from the battlefield at Gettysburg. Lincoln, a man known for greatness, fairness and truthfulness, had no idea that, years later, students everywhere would memorize his immortal words. Big deal.

History was made once again with 10 National Merit Semi-Finalists, an All-State football player, a swimmer ranked 30th in the nation, and a guitar player for an up and coming band all contained in the Senior Class. So what does all this have to do with Abe Lincoln?

Graduating in the year of "four score and seven," the 25th Senior Class was composed of people who made different contributions to the class as a whole. Whether they were seen fluffing flowers or rocking at the pep rally or just hanging out, the seniors proved that they were a once in a lifetime occurence. "The ability of the Class to pull together for a common goal was a distinctive quality all their own," said John Stewart. "Look at the float competition. Even though we didn't win, we all pulled together on the last night and did a great job. That was cool."

For others, the outstanding Class quality was the way they tended to avoid the snubbing of the underclassmen. According to Tom Arcella, "People weren't so clique oriented in our class. We seniors hung out with juniors, sophomores, and sometimes even the freshmen. It wasn't like we had to hang out with just seniors all the time. That's very different from the classes before us."

Still other students had opinions on what made the seniors such a rarity. "Our Class was full of achievers," senior Michelle Deutch explained. "Most of the class was college bound and ready to get a career underway."

Closely siding with Michelle, Briana Newton offered, "Our Senior Class was more mature than other senior classes. We seemed to care about other things than just social gossip and partying. Most seniors were career-oriented and focused their goals on the future, not the present like others."

Of course, not all the aspects of the Class of '87 appeared to be favorable. "There is no difference," joked Comp teacher Mrs. Mary Yorke, "They still can't spell!"

Whether talented, spirited or career-oriented, the senior class left their marks and impressions upon history and itself. Whatever the opinions, one must wonder what "Honest Abe" would say about the senior class. "Four score and seven? A very good year indeed." Thanks, Abe.

Ready and waiting
Perched atop the "Trash mobile," Senior class members get ready to leave the Ridge Christian Reformed Church and start the Homecoming parade. Pulling together to achieve their goal of a float, the class of "four score and seven" proved they were different.

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Hitting the road, students shift into four wheel drive

Pack up your bags and get ready to jam! There's a wild weekend waiting down the road. These words were taken to heart as seniors got their motors running and prepared to hit the road in search of the "ultimate" weekend.

"There's nothing better than cranking Billy Joel on the stereo full blast and eating iced animal cookies while anticipating a killer party weekend ahead," said Tim Broderson, road-trip fan.

Going to Chicago, colleges, beaches, and taking ski trips were some of the activities that the students liked to indulge in on their weekends. "When taking a road-trip, it is better when you go to different places so there is more of a challenge ahead for you," said Jay Potasnik.

Roadtrips could get expensive for the students. "Instead of someone getting the short end of the stick, the expenses are evenly divided up," said Tim.

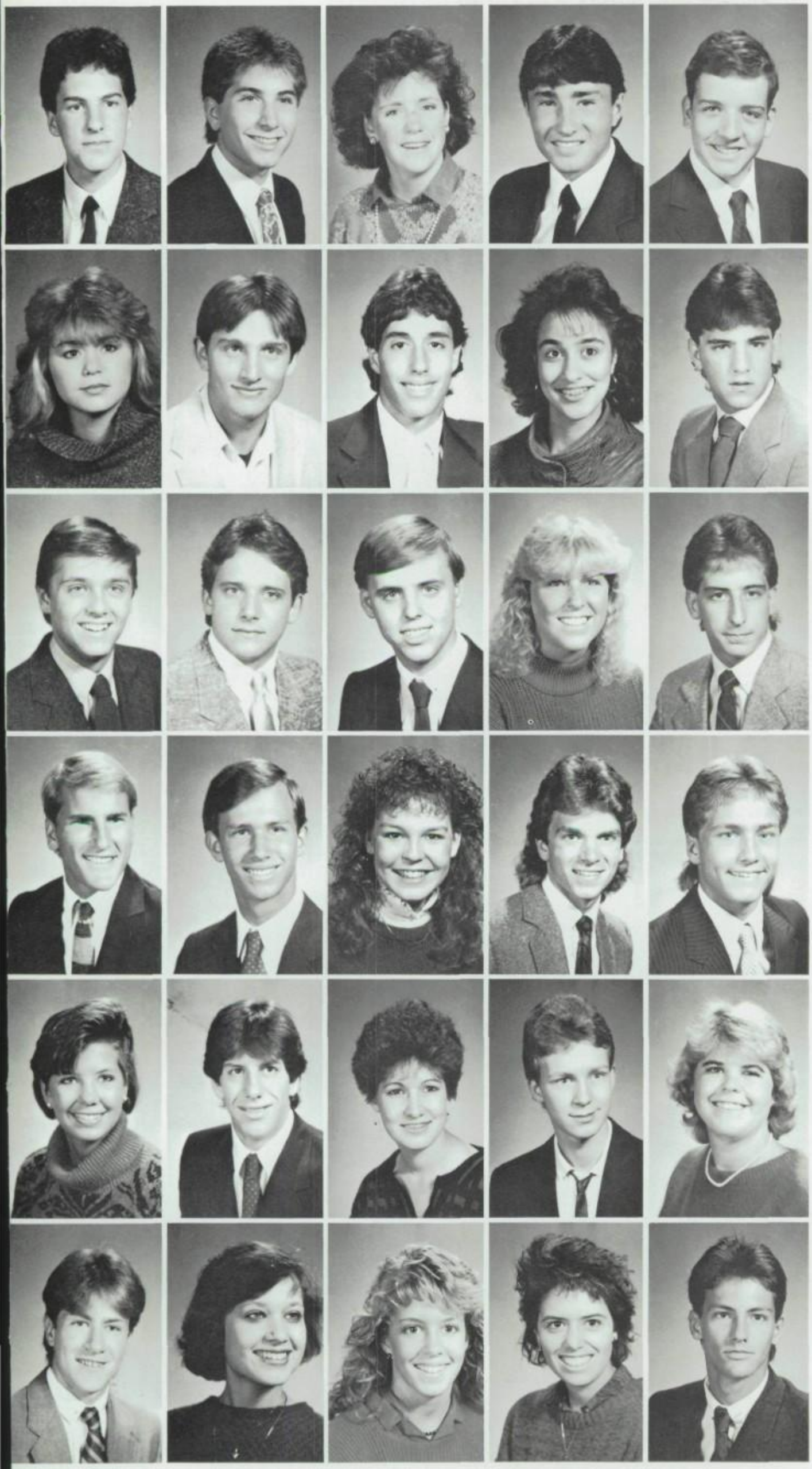
Most students agreed that this was the best way to spend the weekend after a hard week at school. "It's new, it's a roadtrip," said Chris Gloff.

Hit the slopes
Taking a trip to Alpine Valley Ski resort, Dan Porter pulls slowly from his driveway. Ski resorts were just one road trip seniors took on the weekend.

Johnna E. Edington
Dawn R. Enlow
Natalie Fabian: Drill team 11.
Kimberly Ruth Falusi: DECA 11-12; Basketball 9; Wrestling GTO 10.
Michael Feeney

Sheri Fefferman: Drama Club 10-11; Spanish Club 11; CEC 9-12 (Vice Pres. 9); Speech and Debate 9.
Nicole A. Finwall
Mary Elizabeth Fissinger: DECA 11-12; Bowling Club 10-12.
Jeff Florczak: Student Govt. 12; Trivia Team 12; CEC 11; Bowling Club 10-11; Math Club 9-12; Spanish Club 10-12.
Jennifer Mallaney Fraser: GTO 10-12 (Pres. 11-12); Drama Club 10-12; Ensembles 12; Theatre 11; Musical 11-12.

Ellen S. Fromm: Speech and Debate 12; Drama 12.
Tyrah E. Fulkerson
Meridith Evette Gadzala: Drill Team 9; DECA 11-12.
Lisa Gajewski
Robert M. Gallo



David M. Galocy: Football 9; Baseball 10.
Mitchell Keith Gardberg: Tennis 11; Paragon 12; SADD 12; Spanish Club 11.
Gretchen B. Gardner: Volleyball 9-12; Track 9; Letterwomen Club 9-10; Spanish Club 9-12; Crier 12.
Brian Giannini: Football 9-12.
Dennis E. Gifford: Chess Club 9-12 (Sec. 10; Treas. 11; Vice Pres. 12); Bowling Club 10-12 (Treas. 12); Spanish Club 11-12; Science Club 12.

Tricia Gill
Charles B. Gilliam
Rob Giorgio: Swimming 9-10.
Renee Jeanette Giragos: Drama 11-12; Thespian 11-12; German Club 10-12; Wrestling GTO 9; Ensembles 11-12.
David Gladish: Football 9-12; Wrestling 9-12; Track 9-10.

Christopher H. Gloff: Football 9; Band 9-10; Ensembles 11-12; Drama Club 11-12; Thespian 11-12; Student Govt. 12.
Randy Gluth: Swimming 9-12; Paragon 11-12.
Michael R. Gozdecki: Swimming 9; Golf 9-12; Ensembles 11; Crier 11-12 (Sports Ed. 12).
Karen Gronek: Letterwomen 9-10; Softball 9; Crier 11-12.
Greg Grskovich: Football 9; Wrestling 9,11.

Randy A. Grudzinski
Michael A. Gustaitis: Football 9-12; Band 9-12; French Club 9; Spiritlifter 11.
Amy Guzior: DECA 11; Field Trip Club 9-12.
Steven L. Hale
Chester Anthony Hanas: Football 9-12; Track 10; Ensembles 12; Baseball 9,11.

Dianne Marie Hanus: Volleyball 9-12; Basketball 9-12.
Joseph F. Harding
Holly L. Harle
Christoph A. Heimermann: German Club 12; Bowling Club 12.
Sandy Hemingway: Volleyball 9; Basketball 9; Project Biology 12.

Michael Hinds: Bowling Club 9-10; DECA 11-12.
Mary Jo Hoch: Field Trip Club 9-10; French Club 9-12 (Treas. 12).
Julie Holland: Student Govt. 12.
Dianna Lynn Holler: Crier 11-12.
Dan Hollis: Football 9-12; Basketball 9,12; Baseball 9-12 (Capt. 12).

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Future harder to predict than finding 4-leaf clovers

Black cats. Rabbits' feet. Sidewalk cracks. Some people guide their lives by them. Some people think they are crazy. Everyone calls them superstitions.

A superstition, according to Webster's dictionary, is a belief that some action or circumstance not logically related to a course of events that influences its outcome. Agreeing with Webster's meaning, seniors provided their own definitions of superstition. "It's something you're afraid of, or if something that's bad happens to you, you think it's caused by bad luck," said Denise Eckholm.

Moreover, many seniors believe in the same superstitions. Among the most common were having bad luck on Friday the 13 and that wearing certain clothes brought them good luck. Cathy Cornell said she was leery of Friday the 13. She went on to explain the cause. "I was working on that day when we were really busy and I had a lot of orders. I forgot where the orders went, and I gave them to the wrong people."

However, some students believed in less common superstitions. "I'm superstitious about leaving the electricity on when I leave my house. If I do, I'm afraid a fire will start," said Tim Schroer.

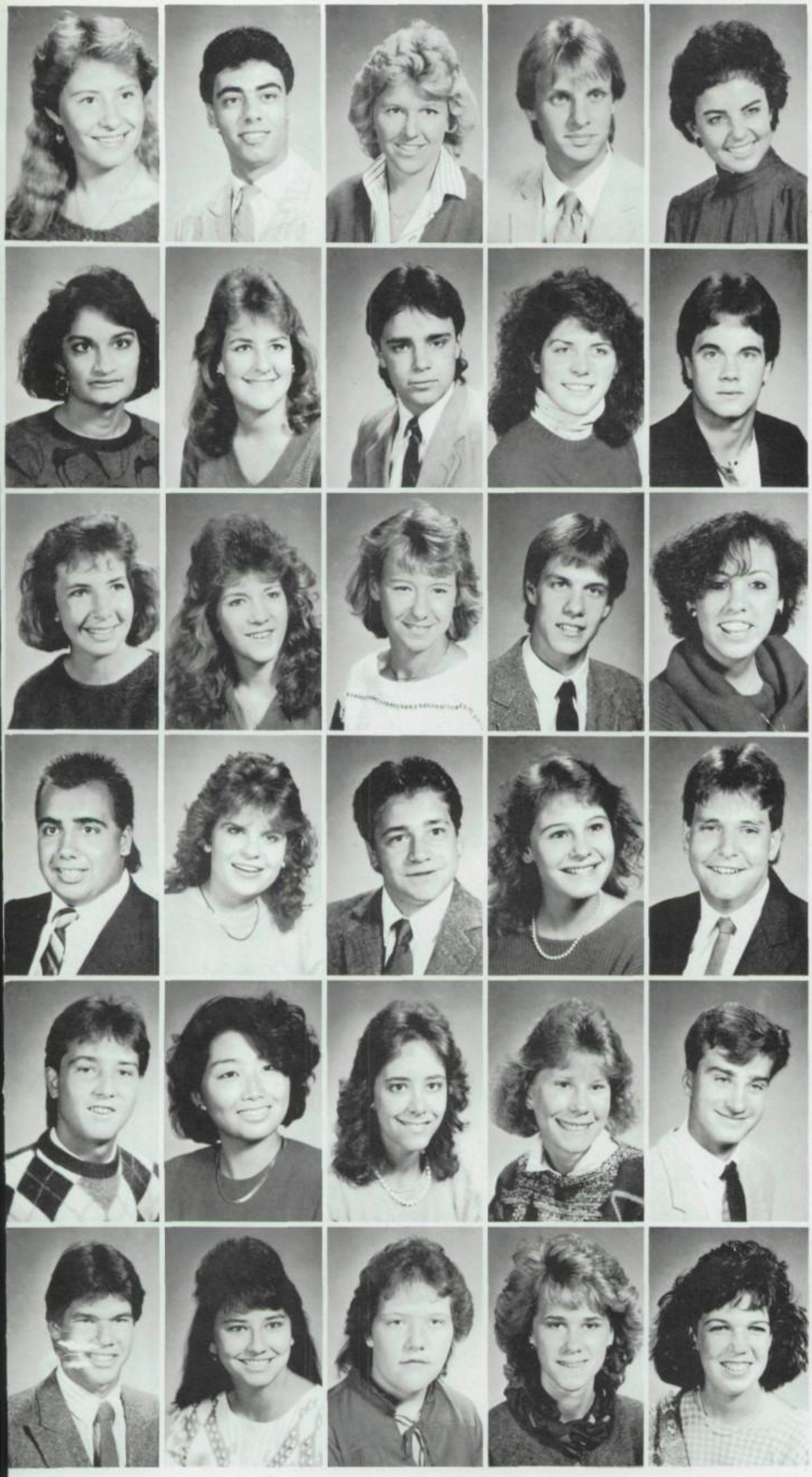
Seniors supplied reasons to support their beliefs in superstitions. "There's so many unexplained phenomenon and the only way to explain it is through the supernatural," said Giri Sekhar. Giri practices tarot cards, which are used in fortune telling. Some reasons for believing were simpler. "I could use all the luck I could get," said Missy Johnson.

On the other hand, some seniors didn't take superstitions seriously. "They're stupid because half of them don't make sense," said Elaine Schmidt.

Broken mirrors, four-leaf clovers and tossing salt. Are they just a bunch of silly notions? Or is there really something to these "super" beliefs? One will never know. However, according to Athena Panos, "It's safer to believe in them because if you don't and something happens, it's because you didn't."

It's all in the cards
Impatient for the outcome, Amy Zajac waits for results of Giri Sekhar's tarot cards that will predict her future. Anxious seniors worrying about what lies ahead found this as a way to peek into their future.

Extra Edge
In addition to studying, Lila Jacobs hopes her rabbit's feet will give her an extra edge during the government quiz. Students steadfastly held to superstitions hoping to bring them good luck.



Andre Hoogeveen: Crier 11.
Sara Heather Holtan: Drama Club 10; Track 12; Swimming GTO 11.
John Iatrides: Football 10; Spiritlifter 10; DECA 11-12; Baseball 9; Basketball 9.
Michelle Lee Ingram: Flags 10-12 (Co-Capt. 11; Capt. 12); Spanish Club 9; Wrestling GTO 9-12; Field Trip Club 9-10.
Jerry Iwachiw
Lila Jacobs: Drill Team 10-12 (Capt. 11,12); Musical 10-12; NHS 11-12; Ensembles 10-12; Track GTO 9-10; French Club 9.

Anil Jain: French Club 9; NHS 11-12; Science Club 11-12; Speech and Debate 11-12; Math Club 9-12; Trivia Club 12; Chess Club 9-12 (Sec. 11-12).
Veena Jain: Speech and Debate 10-12; Crier 11-12 (Copy Ed. 12); Quill and Scroll 11-12; NHS 11-12; NFI 10-12; French Club 9-10; Track GTO 9; Drama Club 9; Field Trip Club 10; National Merit Semi-finalist 12.
Kristen Dianne Jansen
Patrick Jeneske: Golf Club 9-10,12; Drama Club 9.
Kristen N. Johns
Darren W. Johnson

Jennifer Johnson: DECA 11-12.
Michelle Rene Johnson: SADD 11-12 (Treas.12); Drama Club 12; Basketball 9; Speech and Debate 9-10; Spanish Club 11-12; Student Govt. 9-11.
Bonnie A. Jones
Kelly Ann Jones: Swimming 9-12 (Capt. 12); Swimming GTO 9-12; Letterwomen 9-12.
Daniel M. Kaegebien: Football 9-12; Band 9-11; Spiritlifter 10-11.
Penny Karr: Spanish Club 10; Paragon 11; Tennis 9-12 (Capt. 12).

Eve Marie Karras: Field Trip Club 9-10; Student Govt. 9-10; Musical 11; Ensembles 12; Paragon 11-12 (Advertising Ed. 12); Cheerleader 11.
Lance Karzas: Baseball 9,12; Football 9-11; Track 10.
Melissa Kae Kellams: DECA 11-12 (Pres. 12).
Thomas J. Kieltyka: Paragon 10-12 (Head Photographer 12); Quill and Scroll 12.
Natalie Christine Kijurna: DrillTeam 9;Cheerleading 10-11.
Michael David Kloeckner: German Club 9-10; Chess Club 9-12; Bowling Club 9-12.

Jeffrey Michael Kobe: Chess Club 9-12; Science Club 9-12; Speech Team 11-12; NHS 11-12 (Pres. 12); Salutatorian.
Scott E. Kocal

Jenny Koo: Drama Club 9; NFL 10-12; Spanish Club 9,11-12; Student Govt. 11; NHS 11-12; SADD (Sec.) 12; Speech 10-12.
Christie L. Kortenhoven: Student Govt. 9-10; Basketball 9; Drama Club 9-10; French Club 9-10; Debate Team 10; Junior Achievement 10-11.
Maria J. Kozak
Goran Kralj

Aron Jay Krevitz: Track 9-10; Cross Country 9-10; Ensembles 11; Drama 9,11; Musical 11.
Rick Kumiega: Swimming 9-12.
Cathy Labitan: CEC 9-12; NHS 11-12; Cheerleading 10-12; Spanish Club 11-12 (Pres. 12).
Nancy M. Lamantia
Rosalyn S. Lambert: Volleyball 9; Cross Country 10-11; Basketball 9-11; Track 9-12; Crier 12; Hoosier Girls State 11.
Robin Lynn Langenberg: Drama Club 11; Cheerleading 9.

Wendy S. Lawson: Flag Corps 9-10; Track 9.
Darin E. Lee
Robert E. Lesko: Band 9-12; German Club 9-12 (Sec. 10-12); Bowling Club 9-12 (Vice Pres. 11, Pres. 12); Chess Club 9-12; Drama 9; Student Govt. 11; Science Club 11; NHS 11-12; Principals Outstanding Student Award For Excellence 10.
Michael A. Levan
Julie A. Lewellen

Jenny Liakopoulus: AFS 9; German Club 9-10.
Laurie J. Lieser: Paragon 11-12; Drama 10-11; French Club 9-10.
Karen Lynn Livingston: Drama Club 9; Crier 11; Spanish Club 11.
Brian K. Lorenz
Jennifer M. Luksich: Basketball 9-11; Volleyball 9; CEC 11; Spanish Club 11-12; Crier 12.

Timothy M. Lusk: Speech and Debate 9; Bowling Club 9-10; Football 9; Drama Club 11-12; Paragon 11-12; Student Govt. 12; Quill and Scroll.
Dennis Lyudkovsky
Sam Maniotes
Todd Marchand: Bowling Club 11-12.
Mario V. Marino: Basketball 9-10; Bowling Club 9-10.

Jill Marie Mateja: Track 9; Field Trip Club 10.
Raquel Elizabeth Matthews: Drill Team 12; Field Trip Club 9-12; Swimming GTO 11; Wrestling GTO 11; Band 9-11.
Steve Ray McCormick
David William McMahon
Elaine Marie McMahan

Marvin James Mickow: Crier 11-12; Thespians 11-12.
Patricia C. Mitrakis
Michelle M. Moore
Jennifer Lynn Moser: CEC 9-10; Paragon 12.
Thomas James Muntean: Student Govt. 11-12.

Colleen Elizabeth Murphy: CEC 11-12 (Sec/Treas. 11); Tennis 9-12; NHS 11-12 (Tres.); Speech and Debate 10-12; NFL 10-12; Paragon 12 (Academics Editor); Girls Vocal Ensembles 10; Cross-Country 11.
Stacy A. Muskin: Swimming 9-12; Track GTO 12; Swimming GTO 10-12; Letterman 11-12.
Mary E. Myer: Softball 9; Paragon 11-12 (Managing Ed. 12); Basketball 9-10; CEC 9-10; Letterwoman 9-10.
Yoko Nakamura: Drama Club 9; Orchestra 9-10; Spanish Club 9-10.
Briana L. Newton

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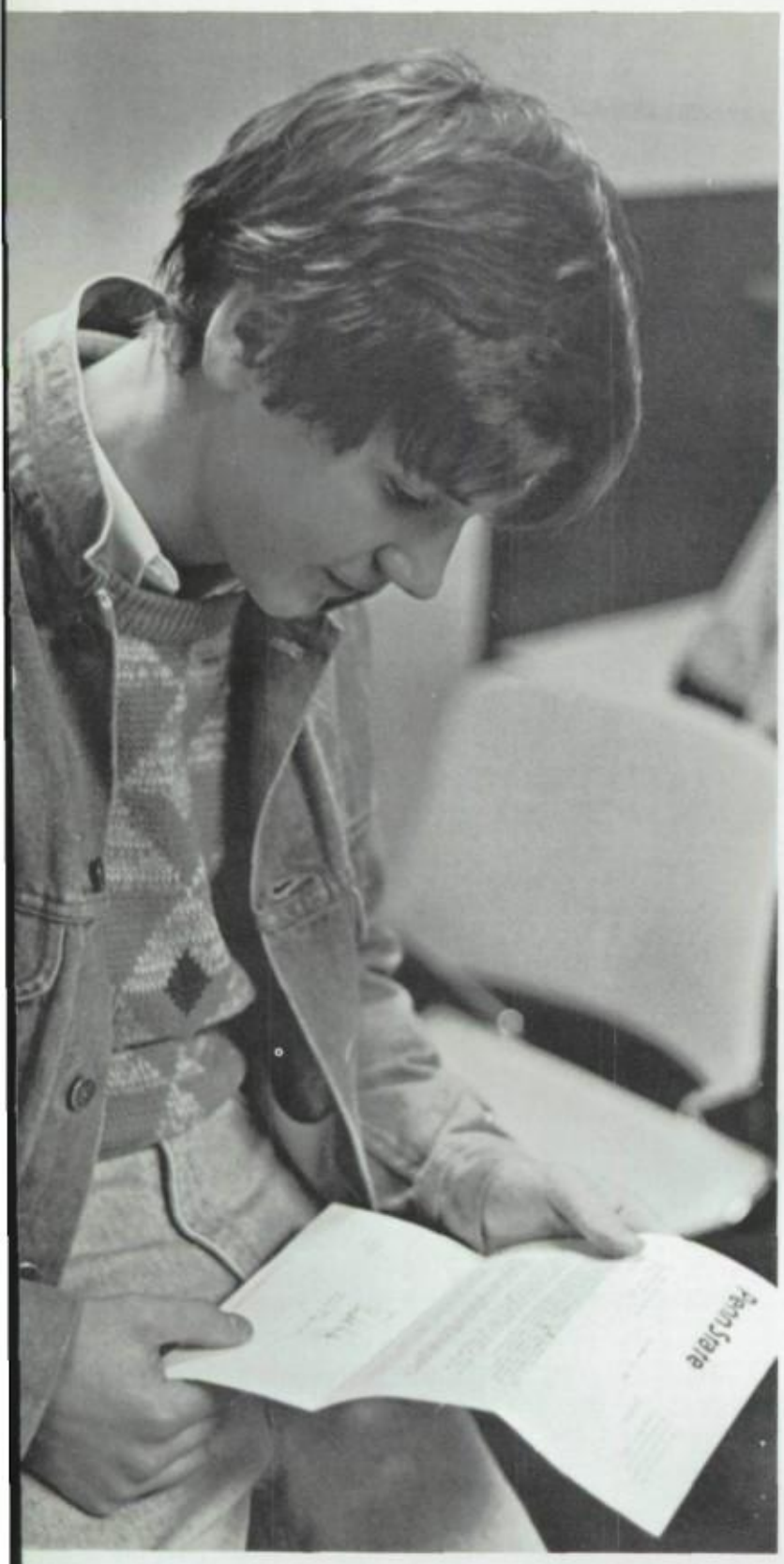
Four down, more to go

The year drew to an end as seniors found themselves finalizing plans for their future. Whether it was college, military school or getting a job, they began to realize the vast opportunities that were offered to them.

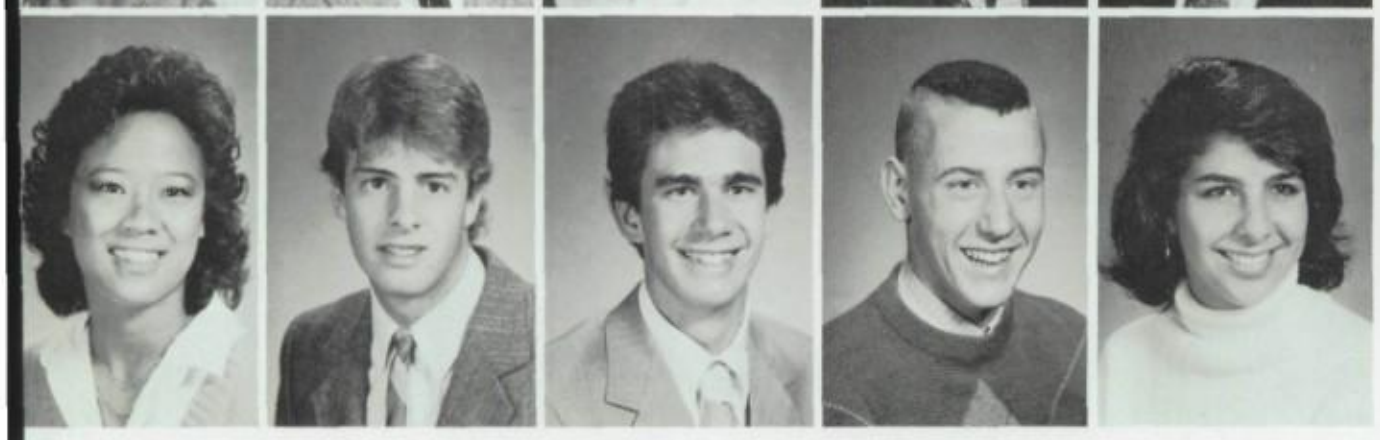
Out of one-hundred students surveyed, 94% agreed college was the key to success. Indiana state schools, such as I.U. and Purdue Lafayette, were the choices of over 50%, while some students headed west to U.C.L.A. (7%), Stanford University (1%) and the University of Colorado (2%) for their education. "I really think the University of Colorado will provide an excellent education, and give me a different outlook on life since it's so far away," rationalized Barbara Payne. "Not to mention the skiing," she added with a grin.

Not only did students decide on their college, but also on their living accomodations and careers as well. Sixty-eight percent felt that dormitories would reign supreme, while only 10% wanted to live at home and 21% thought apartments provided the best housing. When it came to careers, students opinions varied greatly. Some top choices were Business (20%), Psychology (17%), and Engineering (13%). Still other students chose fields that didn't appear as popular. "I really want to be a translator," confessed Rhonda Pool. "I love languages and I think I'd meet different kinds of people."

Though their plans were not set in stone, seniors still found the need to plan for their futures. They began to realize High School would be over and they would soon be thrust into the "real world."



Here at last
Achieving his goal, Scott Blatnica reads his letter of acceptance from Penn State. Seniors found that waiting for their reply could be a nervewracking experience.



Michelle L. Nielsen
Morgan Murdoch Noel: Football 9-12; NHS 11-12 (Sec. 12); Crier 12 (News Ed.); Spirit Lifter 10-11; CEC; Band 10-11; Trivia Club 12.
Kelli J. Norman: Gymnastics 9-10; French Club 9-10.
Christina C. Nowak
Adam M. Ochstein: Tennis 9-12; Basketball 9; Track 9; Letterman 11-12.

Sandra Elizabeth Oi
Timothy James O'Mara: Baseball 11-12; Basketball 11-12.
Kenneth D. Osinski
Brian G. O'Sullivan
Carolyn Pajor: Student Govt. 10-12 (Sec./Treas.12); Cross-country 12 (Co-captain 12); Track 12; Ensembles 11-12; Basketball 9-10 (Co-Captain 12).

Sean F. Pamintuan
Jasmine Pamphilis
Christopher R. Pankey
Athena Dianne Panos: Basketball 9; Cross-Country 10-11; Track 9-10; French Club 9-10; Wrestling GTO 9-11; Letterwomen 9-10.
Tiko Patel: *Track 10;* DECA 11-12.

Amy Ann Paulson: Tennis 9-12; CEC 9-10; Student Govt. 11; Basketball 9; Quill and Scroll 12; Paragon 11-12 (Ed.-in-chief 12); Theatre 11; French Club 9-10; Speech and Debate 9.
Barbara Payne: Diving 9-10, 12 (Capt. 12); Cross-Country 10; Track 9-11; Student Govt. 11-12; NHS 11-12.
Jenine Rene Pestikas: DECA 11-12.
Brian Phillips
Gary Piskula

Michelle Plantiga: Basketball 9-12; Softball 10-11; Tennis 9; Scuba Club (Vice Pres. 12); Golf 9-12; NHS 11-12.
Blase Polite: Speech and Debate 9-12; Ensembles 11-12; Theatre 10-12; Musical 10-12; Student Govt. 11-12 (Student Body Pres. 12); CEC 10-11; NHS 11-12.
Rhonda Pool: Cheerleading 9-12 (Capt. 10-12); Speech and Debate; NFL 9-11; Drama Club 9-12; Thespian 11-12; NHS 11-12; Ensembles 12.
Daniel Bradly Porter: Diving 9; Football 9-12 (Capt. 12); Track 9-12; Ensembles 11-12.
Jay Edward Potasnik: Tennis 9-12 (co-capt. 12); Soccer 11-12; Ensembles 11-12; Musical; Letterman 9-12.

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4-play = senioritis as 'disease' hits

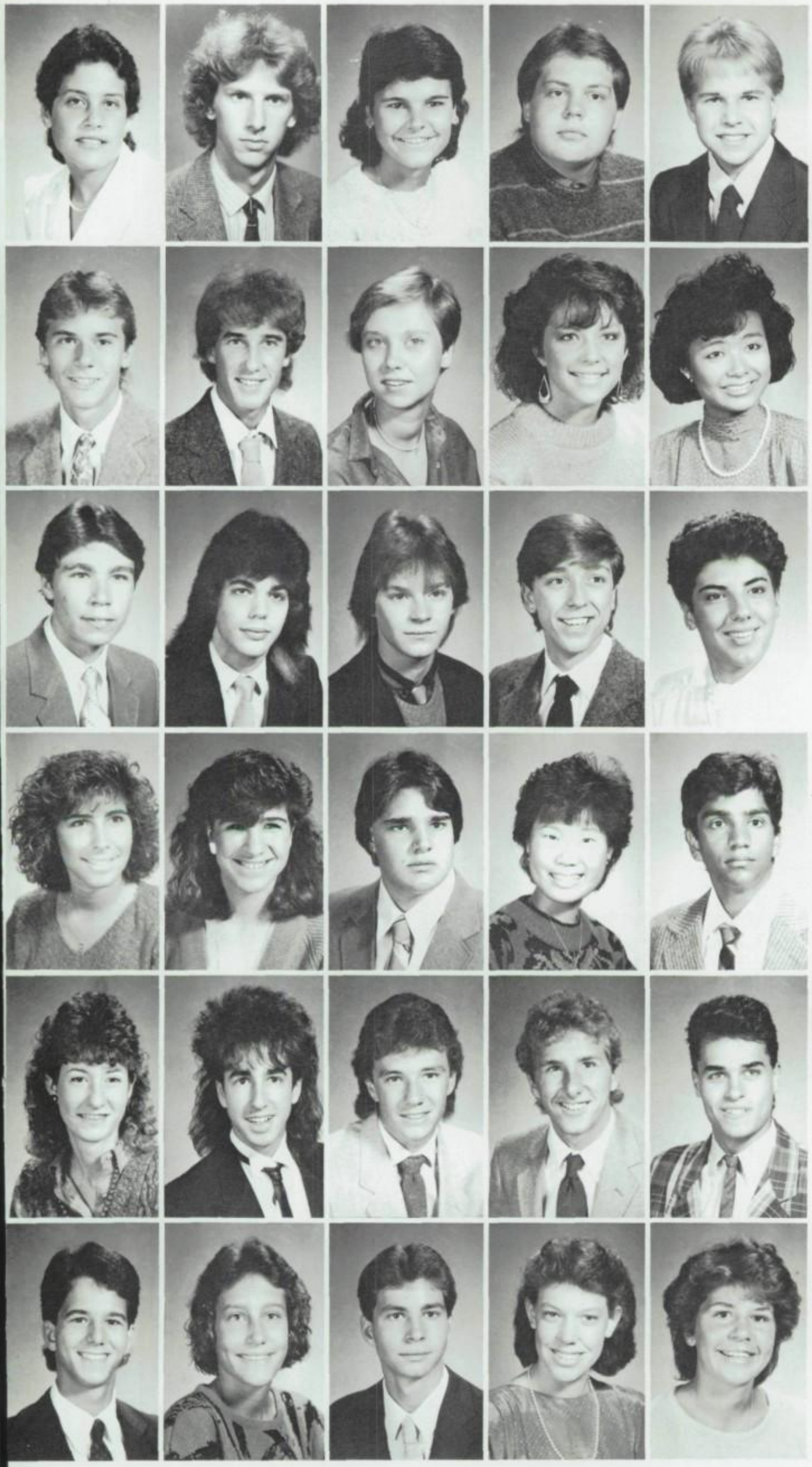
Senioritis (sen'yer'itis) n—1. Common affliction of high school seniors. 2. characterized by a lack of caring about homework or anything having to do with school. There is but one cure for the disease—graduation.

Some seniors weren't stricken until the second or third six weeks of school. But that wasn't the case for all students. "Senioritis hit me in the middle of the first week. I would go home, put my books on my dresser, and I wouldn't think about them or look at them until the next morning," said Matt Dwenger.

Others just couldn't bear the thought of having to go to school the next day, so they resorted to making up excuses. "If I really didn't want to go to school, I would go into the bathroom and fill my mouth with water. Then, I would make sure my mom was going by and I'd spit the water into the toilet," Lance Karzas explained. "I would make a few disgusting noises like I was throwing up and tell my mom I had a stomach ache. It worked all the time."

Though generally not fatal, senioritis's remedy was lots of vacation and very little homework. And of course, the ulltimate cure —graduation.

Decisions, decisions
Trying to decide on the perfect outfit, senior Lisa Gajewski scans closet before going out. Some students often found that going on a weeknight was a welcome relief from homework.



Diana Puldo
Jeff Purnick
Jodi Quasney: Flag Corps 9-12 (Capt. 12); Field Trip Club 9-10; NHS 11-12.
Robert Rajkowski
Phillip Raskosky: Spanish Club 11; Wrestling 11; Football Mngr. 12; SADD 12.

Pat Rau
Jim Reddel
Christiane Richter
Nichole Rittenmeyer: NHS 11-12; Speech Team 11-12; Crier 12 (Ass't. News Ed.).
Cindy S. Roh

Kevin E. Rose
Nicholas G. Ross
Dennis J. Rossa
Bryan P. Rudloff: Soccer 9-12.
Beth Sack: Volleyball 9-10; Swimming 10,12; Track 9,11,12; French Club 9-12 (Pres. 12); Band 9-11; NHS 11-12.

Paula Saks: Speech Team 9; Drama Club 9; CEC 9; Student Govt. 11; Paragon 12.
Patricia Jeanne Santucci: Track 10; French Club 9-10; Field Trip Club 9-10.
Frank J. Shelve
Elaine Christina Min Wha Schmidt: Ensembles 10-12; Musicals 10-12; Field Trip Club 9-11; French Club 10-12; Drama Club 9 (Vice Pres.).
Giri Sekhar: Chess Team 9-12; Tennis Team 9-12; Letterman 12; Debate Team 9-12; Trivia Team 12 (Capt. 12); CEC 12; Student Govt. 11; JETS Team 12; NHS 11-12; Valedictorian.

Kristi Ellyn Seliger: NHS 11-12; Field Trip Club 9-12; Band 9-12.
Mitch S. Seward: Bowling 10-11; Track 9.
Richard Anthony Sfura
Christopher M. Shaver
Andrew Hunter Sherman: Drama Club 9-12; Thespians 10-12; Ensembles 10-12; Musical 10-12; Track 9,12.

Johnathon D. Sherman
Cindy Simko
Kip D. Simmons: Football 9; Basketball 9.
Kathryn Renee Sims: French Club 9-12 (Sec. 12); NHS 11-12; Track 9; Letterwomen 9; Band 9-12; Field Trip Club 9-11; Musical 10-12; Principal's Excellence Award 11.
Laura Lynn Siska: Volleyball 9-12 (Capt. 12); Softball 10-12; Basketball 9; Band 9-12; Musical 10-12.

Four years

4

in the making

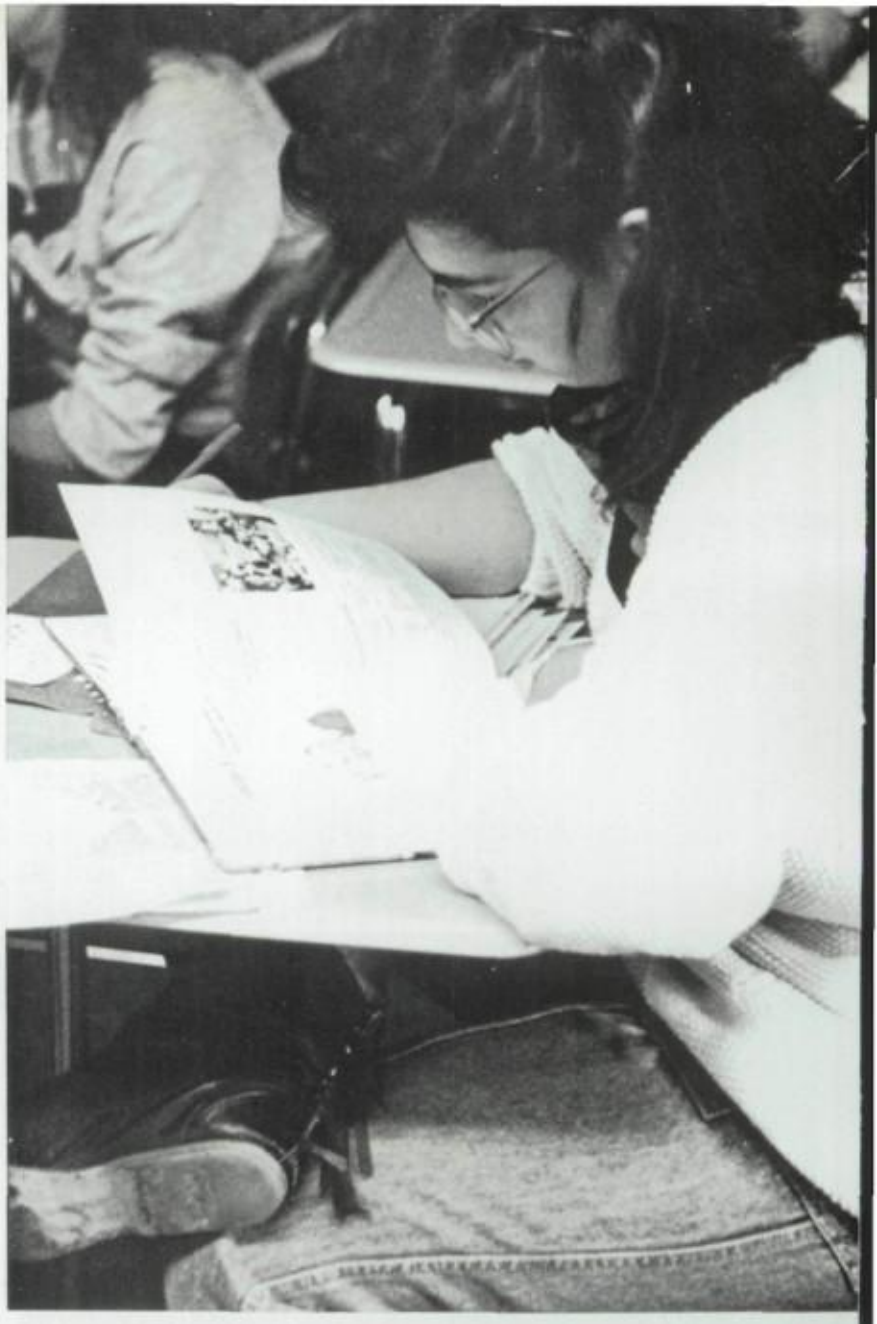
'Younger' classes leave seniors feeling 4 feet tall

Standing four feet tall might be fine for the likes of a Mary Lou Retton, Gary Coleman or Doug Flutie. But that isn't the case with seniors in underclass courses.

In fact, seniors gave many advantages to having classes with younger students. Not worrying about how they looked and being able to pay attention because they weren't talking to friends were some of the positive points. "They are all sophomores, so I can not gossip," said Ellen Fromm, referring to the Chemistry class she took senior year.

Some classes were easier to handle when taken senior year. "I can understand the material better taking the class as a senior," said Ellen. "Classes are taught easier; it's not all essays and structured work," said Michelle Deutch, who took French I as a senior.

Underclassmen classes did not *make seniors feel four feet tall*, but instead, made them feel on top of it all.

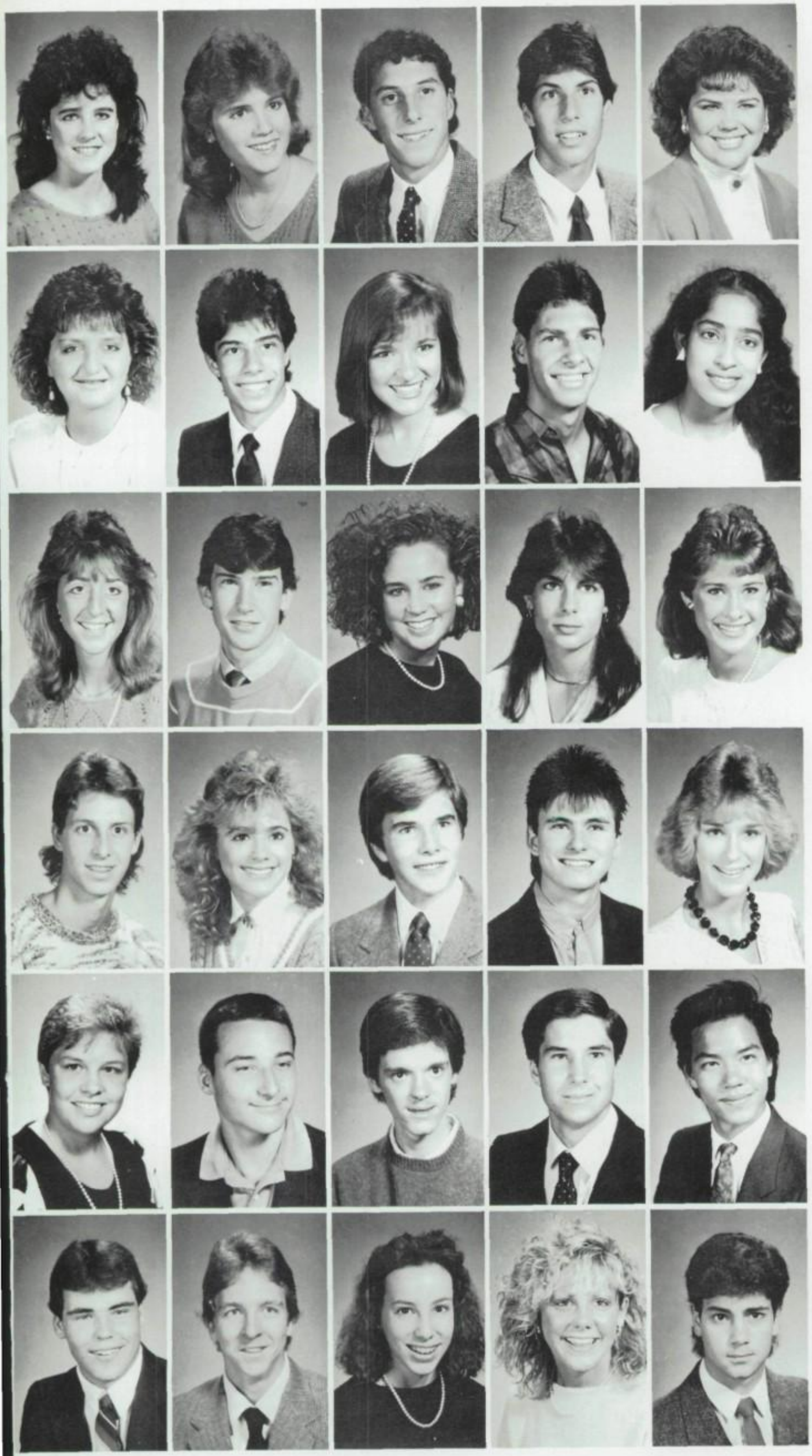


What year am I?
Flipping through the pages, Michelle Deutch studies during her French I class. Seniors put the embarrassment of being in underclass courses aside and filled it in with the chance to learn something new.

Mark E. Slonaker: Wrestling 9; DECA 11-12; Ensembles 10; German Club 9-11; Drama Club 9-10; Sportsman's Club 11.
Bill Slosser: Band 9-12.
Colleen Marie Smith: Girls' Swimming 9-12 (Manager); GTO 11-12 (Manager 11-12); Letterwoman 10.
George A. Smith: German Club 9; Football 9-10; Sportsman's Club 11.
Michelle Lynn Sohrbeck: GTO 9-10.

Ted Sri: Football 9; Junior Achievement (Pres. and Vice Pres. Marketing) 10; Crier 11-12 (Editor-in-Chief 12); NHS 11-12; Quill and Scroll 11-12.
Elana Stern: Band 9-12; GTO 9-12; Spanish Club 9; Field Trip Club 9-10; Paragon 11-12.
John Michael Stewart: Spirit Lifter 11-12; Baseball 12; Musical 10-12; Band 9-12.
Dina Marie Strange: DECA 12.
Steve Strick: Football 9-12; Basketball 9-10;

Cathy Struss: Swimming 9.
Michele Sus: Quill and Scroll 11-12; Crier 12 (Views editor 12); Field Trip Club 10-11; SADD 12; Band 9; National Junior Honor Society 9.
Leanne Marie Suter: Basketball 9; Volleyball 9-12 (Capt. 12); Softball 9-12.
Paul J. Szakacs: Basketball 9; Baseball 9-10.
Adam Tavitas: Football 9-12 (Capt. 12); Baseball 9-12; Basketball 9; NHS 11-12; Ensembles 11-12; Musical 11-12; Student Govt. 12.



Christy Thill: Cheerleading 9-12 (Capt. 9-10); Crier 11-12 (Managing Editor 12); NHS 11-12; Quill and Scroll 11-12; Junior Achievement 10; French Club 9-10; Drama Club 9.
Lisa M. Thomas: Swimming 9-12; Swimming GTO 9-11; Spanish Club 10-11; German Club 9-11; Field Trip Club 9-10; Bowling Club 10-12; NHS 11-12.
Scott B. Tobias
Kevin F. Trill: Football 9; Baseball 9; Basketball 9-12; Golf 12; JETS Team 1-12; CEC 12; Math Team 11; NHS 12.

Rosanne Trippel: Basketball 9; Student Govt. 9; Drama Club 9-12; Thespians 11-12; Spanish Club 9-10; Ensembles 10-12; NHS 12.

Angela Tsakopoulos: Student Govt. 9-10; DECA 11-12; Spanish Club 9-10.
George Andrew Tsirtsis: Scuba Club 11-12; Cross Country 12; Wrestling 9-12 (Capt. 12); Letterman 9-12.
Charlotte Heather VanVactor: Thespians 10-12 (Sec. 11); Ensembles 11-12; Musical 10-12; Speech Team 11-12; Paragon 11-12 (Copy Editor 12); Hoosier Girls' State 11; JETS Team 12; Drama Club 10-12; Theatre 10-11.
Christopher Allan Vogt: Chess 9; Bowling 9-10; Track 11; DECA 11-12.
Jyott Vohra: Science club 12.

Melody Kristine Ware: DECA 11-12 (Historian 12).
David Webber: Football 10-12.
Laura M. Welsh: Drama 9-10; French Club 9-10; Tennis 9-12; Cross Country 11.
Tina White
Julie Ann Wicinski: DECA 11-12.

Fritz Wilke: Debate 9; Soccer 11; Baseball 11; Skiing 11.
Carla R. Wilson: DECA 11-12.
Dan Wilson
Frank L. Wilson
Michelle Wilson

Kathleen Marie Witham: Swimming GTO 9-10; Project Biology 12.
Brian Wojtkowiak
Scott E. Woolridge
William Scott Wrona: Football 9-12; Baseball 9-12.
Donald Yang: Basketball 9-10; Track 9; Tennis 9-12 (Co-capt. 12).

William Theodore Yarek Jr.: Football 9-12; Track 9-12; Swimming 9; Wrestling 11.
Keith A. Yuraitis
Amy Zajac: Band 9; Drama 9-11; Quill and Scroll 11-12; Crier 11-12 (Insight Editor 12); Field Trip Club 9-10; Spanish Club 9.
Kristin Kae Zaun: Cheerleading 9-10; Speech and Debate 9-12; CEC 10; Student Govt. 9; Ensemble 11-12; GTO 11; Spanish Club 10; Paragon 12; Drama Club 9-10; NFL 10.
Andrew D. Zeman

3 Three down and one to go, it's all in the family from looks to books

At her locker, Jenny turned around when she heard the nagging voice of her younger sister. "Hey Jenny, I'm telling Mom that you are getting a 'D' in history. Janey said.

"I really don't care," retorted Jenny, while at the same time she thought, "Why must we go to the same school?"

Unlike Jenny, many juniors enjoyed having a brother or sister attending the same school. "It's great because there is always someone to talk to," Joyce Kozlowski said.

In fact, students found advantages to going to school with a sibling. "One advantage is that most of our classes are the same, so we help each other and study together for tests," said Joyce.

Citing another advantage, "she can tell me what to expect the next year and what teachers will expect," Krissy Rittenmeyer explained.

On the other hand, some juniors mentioned disadvantages to the situation. "I feel like I'm almost competing with her socially and academically," Kristen Hanes said.

Another disadvantage is "a younger sister takes away your privacy because she always knows what you're doing," Diane Adich said.

Also, when siblings go to the same school, they may get a teacher whom a brother or sister has already had. "I might call them by the wrong name, but I try my best not to do it," said Mrs. Helen Engstrom, English teacher.

When siblings attended school together, mornings on school days were hectic. Juniors either devised bathroom schedules or fought it out in the morning. "The mornings are hectic because my brother and I both need to get ready and there's only one bathroom," Joe Knight explained.

Of course, a brother or sister had an effect socially. "I meet more people this way because she introduces people to me and vice versa," Krissy added.

Later that day, Janey told Jenny she wouldn't tell their Mom about the "D."

"That's all right," said Jenny as she thought, "I guess having a sister at school isn't all that bad."

Sisterly advice
Pointing out the location of the Spanish-American war, Judi Kozlowski helps her sister Joyce study for a U.S. History test. Studying with siblings was one advantage for many juniors.

Diane Adich
Conrad Almase
Susan Anasewicz
Lori Anderson
Michael Andreshak
Peter Arethas
Dimitri Arges
Julie Bacino
Thomas Bair
Shaun Barsic
Michele Bartok
Lauren Bittner
Mary Blaesing
Sonia Blesic
Carl Bohlin
Kevin Bomberger

Thomas Boyden
Scott Brakebill
Patrick Brauer
Sally Brennan
Sean Brennan
Jamie Breuker
Michael Brozovic
Jennifer Brtos

Darren Bryant
Pablo Bukata
Anne Buonomo
Jeff Burger
Jerry Cabrera
Denise Callahan
Michael Calligan
Patricia Camino

Donovan Campbell
Carlos Campo
Eunice Cardenas
Cammi Champion
Julianne Chevigny
Dan Chiaro
Anna Christopoulos
Christopher Chronowski

Ayesha Chughtai
Heather Ciesar
Michelle Ciesar
Jody Clapman
William Clark
Joann Clements
Michelle Conner
George Connor

Randy Cook
Jomary Crary
Sean Curran
Connie Czapla
Lynn DeChantal
Wendy Deem
Tammy DeReamer
Eric Diamond

Suzy Dickerhoff
Kevin Dillon
Darcie Dimitroff
Crissy Dinga
Dan Djordjevich
Tracy Donovan
Jim Dryjanski
Jay Dye

Chris Dywan
Lisa Dywan
Gary Eldridge
David Ensley
Michael Erickson
Wendy Etter
Rich Fabisiak
Robin Fandrei

Jennifer Fariss
Nicole Fiegle
Thomas Fierek
Daniel Flynn
Cassie Fortener
Ricky Fox
Stacy Franciskovich
Michelle Frank

Jennifer Frankovich
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Toni Garza
Ryan Gentry
Debbie Glass
Christian Gloff
Amy Gluth
Eric Goin

Laura Goldasich
Nola Golubiewski
Rebecca Gonzales
Julie Gorski
Joanna Grabski
Anthony Grady
Nicole Granack
Milica Grbic

Christopher Gross
John Guerra
Raymond Gupta
Michael Gutierrez
Hilary Hall
Amanda Hamilton
Kristen Hanes
Paul Harding

Michael Hatmaker
Barbara Helms
Robert Heuer
Susan Higgins
Timothy Hoekema
Henry Holt
Robin Howerton
Irene Huang

James Huang
Thomas Hudec
Scott Hutsenpiller
Maricel Ignacio
Vijay Jain
Barry Janovsky
Emanuel Javate
George Jen

Three down

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one to go

Sometimes relationships reveal there's third party involvement

To go steady or not to go steady? To cheat or not to cheat? These questions go through student's minds as they confront the pains of love.

Some students felt that a relationship was more special when they went out with just one person. "When I go out with a girl, I get a special feeling. I feel good about myself and about the whole relationship," stated Paul Harding. "I feel unsure about dating a different girl each week or every other week though, because I occassionally feel I might not be able to hold on to a relationship."

Contrary to this idea, Jody Chapman said, "I prefer dating a lot because going out with just one guy gets boring and there's no variety. It's just the same thing over and over. It's good to date more than one person because there's no commitment and you have more freedom."

"Going out" with just one person or dating many people is just one aspect of a relationship. Another situation some students worry about is whether they have been the victims of cheating. "I used to go out with a guy until I found out that he had been cheating on me with my twin sister!" exclaimed Judy Kozlowski.

In a similar situation, Robin Fandrei added, "When I found out my boyfriend was cheating on me, I didn't know whether to yell at him or to cry, so I did both, and then we broke up."

Once in a while, there comes a time in a teenage relationship when the temptation to cheat crosses the mind. "I thought about cheating on my girlfriend. It depends on how well we were getting along. If we were really serious, then I wouldn't cheat on her, but if we were always fighting, then I probably would cheat on her," stated Brian Zemaitis.

Then there were those students who couldn't even handle the thought of cheating. "I think cheating is the lowest thing you can do to someone. Even if your feelings aren't strong for the person, he or she deserves more respect—like breaking up or talking about it," claimed Mark Roper.

Class rings and broken vows. Both went hand in hand as the daily soap opera of teenage relationships unfolded. Would Sally indeed accept a date from her steady's best friend? Would Jack dump his girlfriend for the new girl in his Spanish class? One could only stay tuned to find out.

Small talk
Engaging in light conversation, junior Paul Harding and freshman Allison Rothschild make weekend plans. Relationships varied from seeing different people to dating that one special person.

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John Jimenez
Thomas Johns
Douglas Johnson
Jodie Johnson
John Jones
Lori Jucknowski
Karen Jurgenson

Stephen Karol
Joseph Kicho
Helen Kim
Joshua King
Terrance Kish
Joseph Knight
Deborah Koepke
Toula Kounelis

Kimberly Koziatek
Joyce Kozlowski
Judith Kozlowski
Laura Krameric
Robert Krusinowski
Marcia Lamantia
Karen Lesko
Gary Levy

Tracy Linnane
Tina Lively
Neal Lorenzi
Joseph Lovasko
Raquel Luera
Ricardo Luna
James Magrames
Jonathon Manahan

Ron Marlowe
Michelle Marmalejo
Fred Marshall
Scott Masepohl
Randy Mattingly
Danielle Mavronicles
Renee Maxin
Brendan McCormack

Laura McGill
Amanda McKinney
Steve McMahon
William Melby
Michael Mellon
George Melnik
Mike Mertz
Mike Micenko

Cindy Michael
Charles Mickel
John Mikalian
Dean Miles
Amy Misczak
Afroditi Mitrakis
Judy Moore
Ben Morey

Jean Morgan
Mike Moses
Steve Moskovsky
Steve Muller
Jeff Mussatt
Swamy Nagubadi
Denise Nelson
Kathy Nisiewicz

Amelia Noel
Bryan Novotny
Greg Nowak
Allison Nowicki
James O'Donnell
Vicky Olesh
Penny Opatera
Cami Pack

Mark Panozzo
Kavita Patel
Lisa Patterson
Jennifer Paulson
Kathy Pavich
Chuck Pawelko
William Paz
Cindy Pearson

Eric Peiser
Dawn Peters
John Phillips
Steve Pierce
Michael Pietraszak
Tiia Pitkanen
Patrick Pluard
Rachael Pomeroy

Allison Potts
Brian Preslin
Michelle Quinn
Cally Raduenzel
Richard Ramirez
Roque Ramos
Erin Reffkin
Jennifer Remmers

Susan Riebe
Kristen Rittenmeyer
Jeanne Robbins
Kim Robinson
Rea Robinson
Stefanie Rogan
Todd Rokita
Mark Roper

Michael Ross
Brian Rossin
Andrea Roy
Karen Russell
Camille Saklaczynski
Mark Saks
Greg Samels
Kristin Sanek
Tim Sannito
Staci Schatz
Robert Schevermann
Dave Schoon
Patrick Schreiner
Eric Schwartz
Gregg Schwartz
Craig Scott

Three down
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one to go

Just as fate would have it bad things come in threes

tterfingers
eling a bit embarrassed, Debbie Glass gathers oks that she dropped during a passing period.

Juniors found that embarrassing moments could happen anywhere and at the worst possible times.

Feeling confused, self-conscious, ill at ease . . .

Nothing is worse than being embarrassed when surrounded by friends. Embarrassing moments happen to everyone and usually at the worst times.

These moments can be frightful nightmares. "While I was waterskiing with my friends, my bathing suit fell down, and my friend's brother was driving the boat," remembered Rachael Pomeroy.

Sometimes they happened where everyone could see. "One time for my birthday, my friends sent a Care Bear to give me a bunch of balloons and then I had to square dance with the bear in the middle of lunch!" exclaimed Allison Potts.

"While I was walking down the hall I dropped my books and they flew everywhere. I was so embarrassed!" laughed Debbie Glass.

"Once while I was sleeping, I woke up to find that the teacher had been talking about me for the past five minutes," stated Dave Ensley.

Jobs can also be an ideal place for embarrassing moments to occur. "While I was working at Woodmar Country Club I spilled three glasses of cold water down a lady's silk blouse. I attempted to clean it up and wipe the lady's blouse clean, but then I thought that she'd better dry herself!" stated Dean Miles.

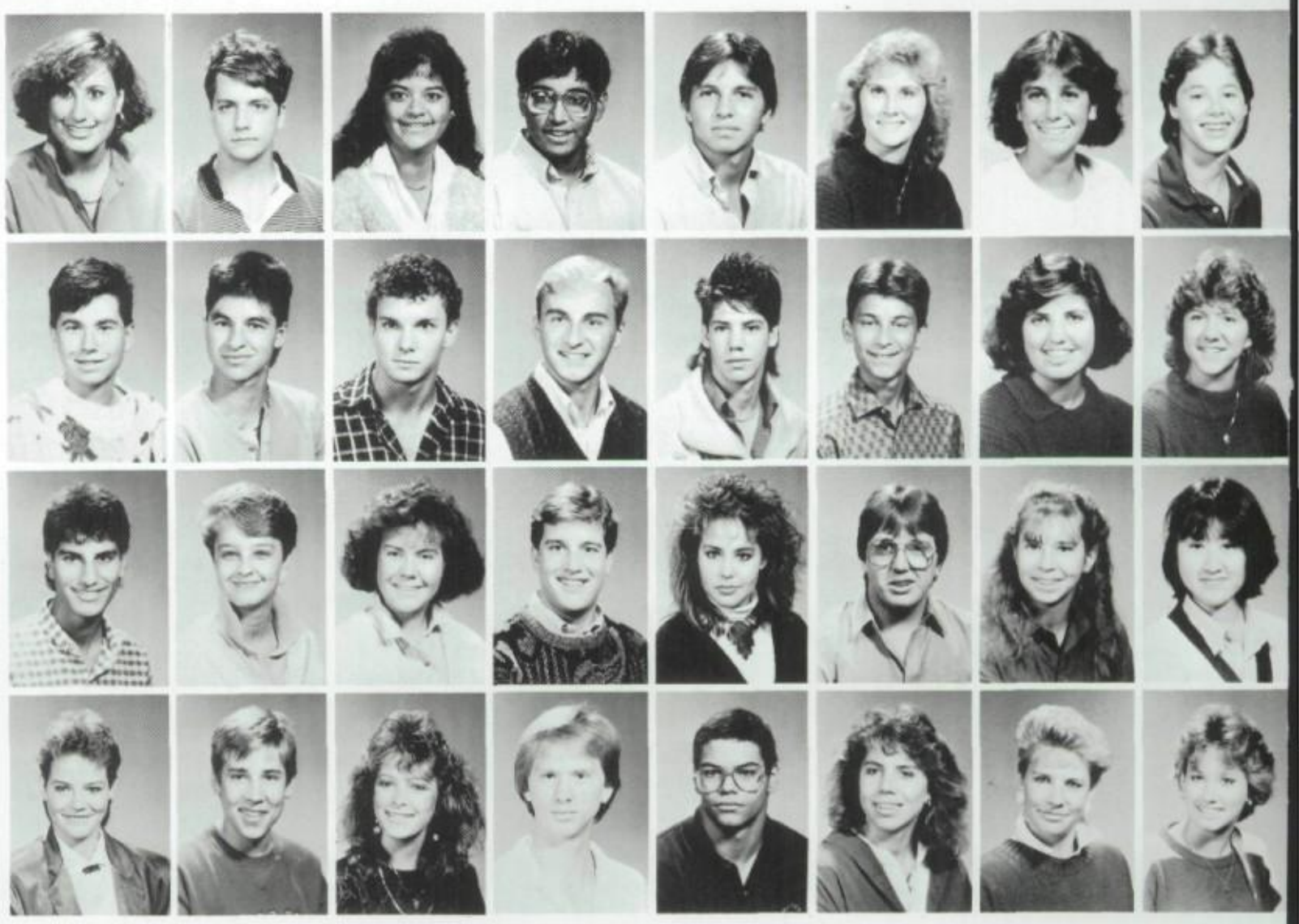
Whether at school, work or just with friends, embarrassing moments lurked behind any corner, waiting to haunt unsuspecting students.

Becky Selig
Steven Sersic
Shefali Shah
Rajesh Shetty
John Sideris
Kris Siebecker
Tracy Silverman
Kemp Simonetto

Brian Siurek
John Skertich
Toby Skov
Chris Smith
Robert Smith
Matt Sobolewski
Pam Soderquist
Debbie Somenzi

Phil Sorak
Amy Spejewski
Elizabeth Stover
Jeff Strater
Heather Swan
William Swart
Stacy Szany
Emiko Tashiro

Angel Thompson
Art Thompson
Lisa Tilka
Paul Tillema
Jim Torreano
Diane Trgovcich
Jennifer Uzubell
Jennifer Vanderhoek



Three down

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one to go

Hitting all the bases sometimes catches students in triple play

Come on baby, let the good times roll! t's time to get up and get involved! "Sitting around is not as fun as participating n an activity," said Lynn Dechantel, Speech and Debate member.

Most students joined an activity for the fun they had with their friends and the excitement they got in return. "I usually like to join an activity with my friends, so we can share the fun," said Julianne Chevigny, cheerleader.

There were obligations that needed to be met when juniors joined an activity. "You have to show full responsibility and a positive attitude towards the people you're working with," said Pat Schreiner, track member.

Sometimes, the students found themsleves in a bind because of the lack of time they had to do work from school and at home. Sometimes, they didn't do it at all because they didn't use their time wisely. "You have to arrange your homework around your activities so you don't fall behind, but sometimes you have to work just a little harder," said Jerry Cabrera, soccer player.

There were many positive points for joining an activity. "You will always have something to do and will never be bored after school, and it takes your mind off a rough day," commented Jerry.

"Joining an activity takes a lot of responsibility and a lot of dedication, but in the end you feel like you contributed your share to the school," added John Sideris.

Free time and study time were replaced with time-out for activities, yet the thought of being with friends and doing something enjoyable seemed to make up for the disadvantages students encountered. Activities proved that life should be lived, not watched.

's your move
ngrossed in after-school practice, Gary Levy and Mr. Jeff Graves debate where to move the queen. Chess is just one of the many activities that juniors oined for extracurricular fun.

Eric Vanes
Chrissie Vegetable
Kimberly Vickers
Michael Vlasich
Ted Vrehas
Jennifer Vrlik
Doug Walker
Kristin Walsh

Heidi Ward
Frank Webber
Karl Wein
John Whited
Larry Wiley
Charlisa Williams
Donald Williams
Jamie Williamson

Greg Witecha
Scott Wojtowich
Monica Wolak
Beth Wrona
Linda Wulf
Robert Zando
Brian Zemaitis
Chrisy Zudock

2 Cash expenses add to twice the price

Money doesn't grow on trees. As students grew older, they found their expenses rose and money wasn't so easy to come by anymore.

Sophomores needed money to spend on various activities. Dates, gas and going out with friends constituted a need for cash. "I usually go to our cottage with my friends. Since it takes two hours to get there, we have to pay for gas, and we usually stop for a meal on the way," said Dan Loprich.

One way of acquiring extra cash wa by getting a job. "I have a job at 'Jean America'. It doesn't pay very well, but covers any expenses I may have," stat ed Jeanine Berkowicz.

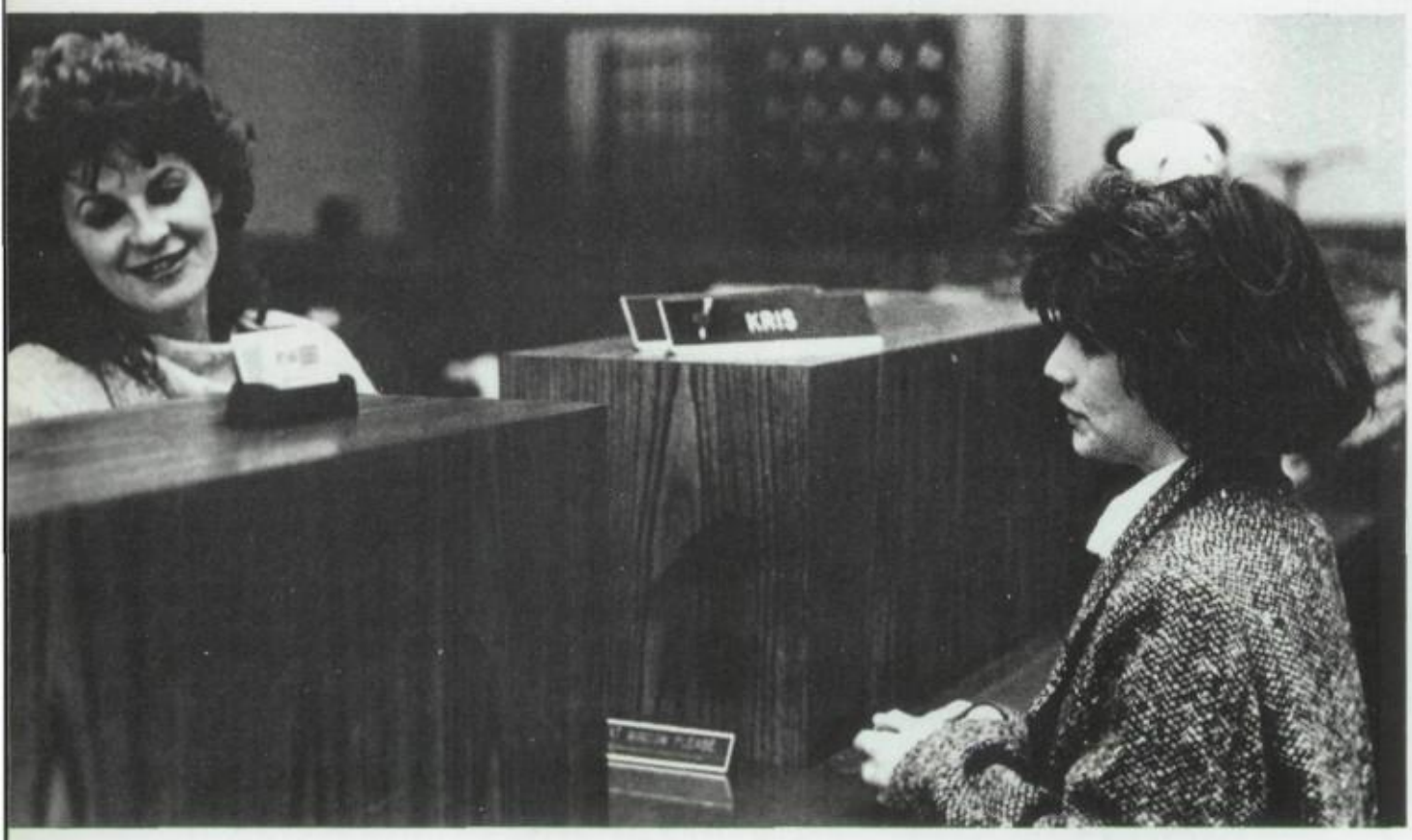
"During the summer, I had a job as life guard at a country club," explaine Joe Cipich "I supported myself durin the summer, and any extra money I ha was saved for the winter."

Since some sophomores were not ol enough to have a job, their parent wallets came in handy. "My parents giv me $10 every Friday night, and if I run ou of money before the weekend is over, just ask for more," said Kelly Livingstor

"I am old enough to have a job, but can't during the winter because sports," stated Robert Merrick. "I hav my own checking account, and my da gives me a certain sum of money ever month. I basically just support myself. It teaching me how to manage money.

The rising cost of fun made sopho mores find dependable money source Whether summer savings, after scho jobs, or parents' wallets, sophomore learned to manage their money.

Cashing it in
Cashing her bi-weekly pay check, Jeanine Berkowicz receives money for her busy weekend plans. Sophomores found jobs helped cover weekend expenses.



Sara Abbott
Raveen Advani
Marybeth Agness
Richard Alyea
Louise Andreani
Mark Anthony
Todd Apato
Julio Arevalo

David Arlen
Jennifer Atwood
Cindy Auburn
Nick Autry
Lisa Baciu
David Bainbridge
Jennifer Baker
Sonali Balajee

Cliff Balka
Robert Ballenger
Edward Balon
Jeff Banas
Kevin Baradziej
Julie Baretz
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Robert Becchino

Susan Beckman
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Lynn Bennett
Peter Beratis
Paul Berbeco
Jennifer Beres
Jeanine Berkowicz

Jennifer Bertagnolli
Anne Bibler
Vincent Biedron
Bronwyn Billings
Gina Blaine
Brent Bodefeld
Helena Brasovan
Donald Bremer

James Brous
Deborah Buono
Larry Cabrera
Beth Call
Noel Camire
Alfredo Cantu
Ilona Carlos
Victor Carlos

Christina Carrara
Katy Carroll
Jeremy Cashman
Christopher Casper
Steve Cerajewski
Grace Cha
Gene Chang
Lisa Chen

Jenna Chevigny
Anthy Chloros
Daniel Cohen
Margo Cohen
Nick Colakovic
Kraig Comstock
Jeff Christ
Angela Crowel

Paul Czapkowicz
Karyn Dahlsten
Brian Darnell
Brian Dauksza
Jack Davidson
Dax Deboe
Owen Deignan
Alan Dillard

Tim Dillon
Jeffrey Dolatowski
Jason Dragos
Lisa Dragos
Robin Drzewiecki
Thomas Ellison
Timothy Engle
Donnell Etienne

Beth Ewing
Anthony Falaschetti
Lisa Fehring
Jeffrey Feltzer
Rhonda Ferguson
Heather Fesko
Brittany Flaherty
Katy Fleming

Christopher Foreit
Victor Fortin
Karla Franciskovich
Aaron Franko
Amy Frankovich
Amy Fraser
Ryan Gallmard
Kathy Gambetta

Nicole Gardberg
Raymond Garzinski
Marcela Gavrila
Yvonne Gavrilos
Jason Gedmin
Arthur Giannini
Amy Gifford
Donna Gladish

Brad Glendening
Susan Glennon
Mark Gonzales
John Goodrich
Eric Gossler
Nancy Gozdecki
Michael Guerra
Greg Guidotti

Anjali Gupta
Jennifer Gust
Andrew Guzior
Mark Hajduk
Michelle Halum
Eileen Han
Dina Hanes
Christopher Harding

Beth Hayden
Saralie Herakovich
Kimberly Hesek
Stephen Hess
Tara Hodson
Daniel Hoffman
Tammy Hollis
Daniel Holloway

Second time around 2

Two heads prove better than one

Two heads are better than one. Well, maybe not literally. But when it meant working together to achieve some goal, this formulated into a useful idiom.

Sophomores found that putting their heads together helped with schoolwork. "I work on chemistry with my friends, because it's easier to understand the ideas for a test," said Steve Konkoly.

Also, working together through discussions taught students to perceive new sides to an issue. "It helps to see and understand other points-of-view. If you never discussed anything, you wouldn't know what other people thought or how they felt about certain situations," explained Nicole Rusnak.

Group projects offered more opportunities to students to put their heads together for common goals, such as good grades. "Doing projects in groups gives you more ideas but less work, because everyone shares it," said Kevin Mybeck.

Besides school work, two heads came in handy when making weekend plans. "My friends and I share ideas when we are trying to figure out what to do on a Friday night," said Amy Frankovich.

After they make their plans, sophomores usually travelled in two's to the movies, shopping or just hanging out. "It is more fun shopping with one of your friends and trying on things you know you won't buy. Also, it's better to have a friend with you so they can give you advice on what looks good on you," Paulette Pokrifcak said.

Whether sophomores shared ideas with others or had helpful assistance from a close friend, it all came down to the little phrase: Two heads (sometimes) really are better than one.

Study aid
Help and a little fun from Nicole Rusnak is all Susie Beckman needs to get through the chemistry test. Putting their heads together helped sophomores complete homework and study for tests.

Browsing buddies
Looking through sweaters, Kelly Livingston helps Paulette Pokrifcak create a perfect outfit. Sophomores found that activities like shopping were fun when done in two's.

Kevin Homans
Eric Hoogeveen
Dawn Houghton
Kathryn Hughes
Amy Hulett
Kenneth Hulsey
Danielle Hybiak
Chie Itoh

Cynthia Jacobsen
Jennifer Janusonis
Ronald Javate
Jacqueline Johnson
Cris Jostes
Dean Jukovich
Traci Kaegebein
Ellyce Kaluf

Jim Karr
Martin Karr
Karen Karulski
Bryan Kasper
Jennifer Kelbaugh
Robert Kemp
Darlene Kender
Rhonda Keown

James Kicho
Charles Kilgore
Sharon Kim
Vesna Kirincic
Joseph Kisel
Mary Kate Kish
John Klaich
Melissa Klee

Steven Konkoly
Michael Konyu
John Kortenhoven
Stephanie Kotsis
Tracie Kozak
Christine Kozanda
Joseph Krajnik
Dejan Kralj

Lisa Kraynik
Adam Krieger
Kimberly Kumiega
Karen Kunkel
Sinae Kwak
George Lamaster
Euginia Lecas
Christina Liakopoulos

John Lichte
Kelly Livingston
Dyron Long
Daniel Loprich
Thomas Luksich
Nicole Macik
Deborah Maka
Andy Maniotes

Joseph Mardis
Sophia Marinos
Nikki Markovich
James Mattson
Kathleen McClain
Anne Marie McCarthy
Stephanie McNary
Kathleen McTaggart

Robert Merrick
Renee Meyers
Amy Miedema
Cynthia Mikolajczyk
Phillip Milne
Omar Mohiuddin
Robert Molnar
Renay Montalband

David Moore
Jillian Moore
David Morfas
Kelly Morgan
Michael Moskovitz
Erica Mowitz
Trina Murphy
Jeffrey Mybeck

Kevin Mybeck
Rich Myer
Robin Nagy
Jennifer Nicholas
Gina Nicosia
John Novak
Kevin Nowaczyk
Kurt Nutziger

Jennifer Obenchain
Bryan Oberc
Michael Obuch
Debbie Oi
Yuko Oikawa
Raymond Olmos
Scott Orr
Richard Osgerby

John Osterman
Richard Osterman
Ted Panos
Eric Pardell
Kostas Parianos
Eric Parker
Ravi Patil
Anda Pavicevich

Second time around 2

With two sides to every story, creative excuses stretch truth

"I did my homework, but my dog ate it."

"I would have called, but I didn't have a quarter."

"I was going to clean my room, but I had to study for this really big test."

These over-used, unimaginitive excuses have been put aside for newer, more creative excuses.

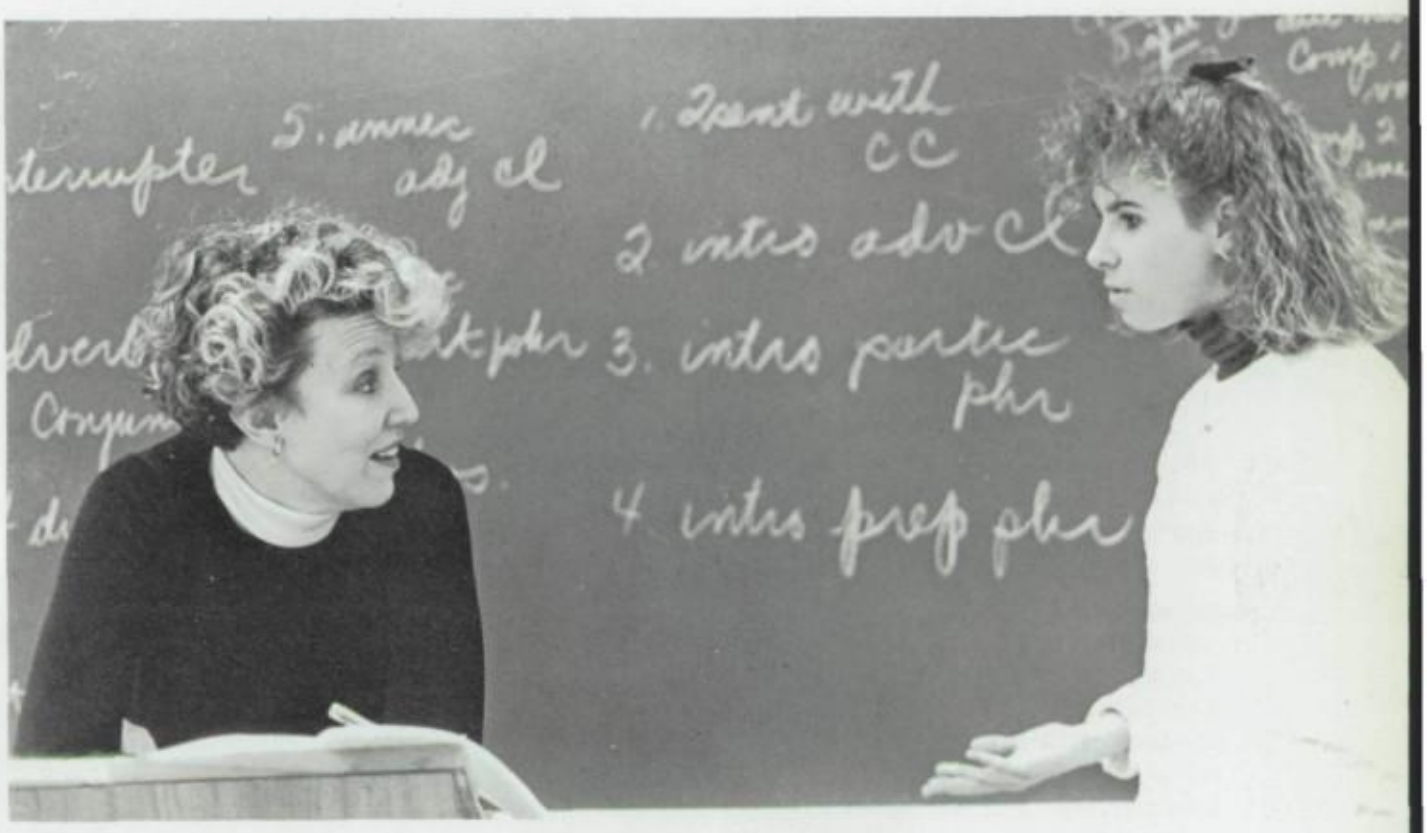
Reasons for excuses varied, but most agreed that excuses were made as a precaution to avoid getting into trouble. "One time when my speech wasn't done, I told my teacher that I was doing the outline and I started coughing. My mom gave me some medicine, but it was the wrong kind. It made me drowsy and I fell asleep until the next morning. She (the teacher) still took off 10 points," Debbie Payne explained.

Excuses were most often given to parents or teachers, and sometimes even to Principal, Dr. John Preston, or Mr. Tom Schatzman, assistant principal. This was not always an alternative for some students. "I didn't want to take my chances giving excuses to Dr. Preston or Mr. Schatzman because they'd find out the truth sooner or later. I tell them the truth to begin with," said Ryan Gailmard.

Even though students found themselves in predicaments which seemed to necessitate an exuse, many were left with a guilty conscience. "I always feel guilty after giving my parents excuses because it's different than giving teachers excuses. You love your parents. You don't love your teachers," said Ryan.

"I finished my homework, but then my house burned down and my homework burned with it," pleaded the nervous student. Though sometimes lame and far-fetched, students created excuses to avoid the consequences of telling the truth.

Smooth talker
Trying to talk her way out of a tight spot, sophomore Debbie Payne explains to Mrs. Mary Yorke, speech teacher, why she didn't have her speech completed. Students often thought that making excuses was a sure way to stay out of trouble.



Sharon Pavol
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Douglas Payne
Charmain Pestikas
Patty Pfister
Cara Phelan
Paulette Pokrifcak
Pam Pool

Anthony Powell
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Joseph Ramos
Julie Reach
John Reed
April Revercomb
Dana Richardson
Jeneane Roach

Amy Rogers
Emily Rosales
Natalie Ross
Scott Rubin
Jennifer Rudloff
Nicole Rusnak
Jason Ryband
Leslie Safran

Second time around

Second time around found juggling activities inevitable

School, sports, jobs and friends. All are essential to living, and all take up time. Many students found out that school work isn't the only time-consuming activity there is during the school year.

Schoolmates eagerly talked about conquering their freshman year, yet little did they know what was to await them during their sophomore year, when they would be encouraged to "grow up a little."

A seemingly simple task, such as getting a job for some extra money, could lead an innocent student into the clutches of the "real world."

"I got a job at Burger King for some extra money at Christmas-time, but my hours and school work kept building up so much that my semester grades fell, and I had to cut down on my hours." explained Susie Glennon, a victim of the "outside world."

But assuredly, as her hours were cut down, her weekends were open to allow some much needed time to spend with a few friends.

"It helped a lot after my hours were cut, I really needed the free time," remarked Susie.

Another time-consuming activity which added to homework, school and friends, were sports. "Sometimes I wanted to go out with some of my friends, but I had track practice," stated Susie Beckman.

Sharing Susie's opinion, Vini Santucci said, "Track practices really don't take up too much time. It's just tough when we have meets on Saturday's."

But, some activities weren't all bad, and some students agreed that it's a very good way to let off some steam and break the daily routine. "Track lets me have fun with my friends, and shuts out school for awhile." stated Susie.

So whatever the case may be, whether it's a sport or a job, sophomores found that many pressures and time-consuming activities interfered with their school work and social outings. By joining an activity, students decided to double their time and face the consequences.

Vincent Santucci
Tracy Schiller
Leslie Schoon
Emilie Seehausen
Brendan Sheehy
William Sideris
Laura Skertich
Julie Slater

Stacy Slathar
Tiffanie Slathar
Jason Solan
Leif Sorensen
Mitchell Sparber
Sandy Spenos
Andrew Spoljaric
Renae Spudville

Janie Strudas
Amy Stugis
Mark Swindle
Christy Szala
Kimberly Szala
Tori Szurgot
Mary Tabion
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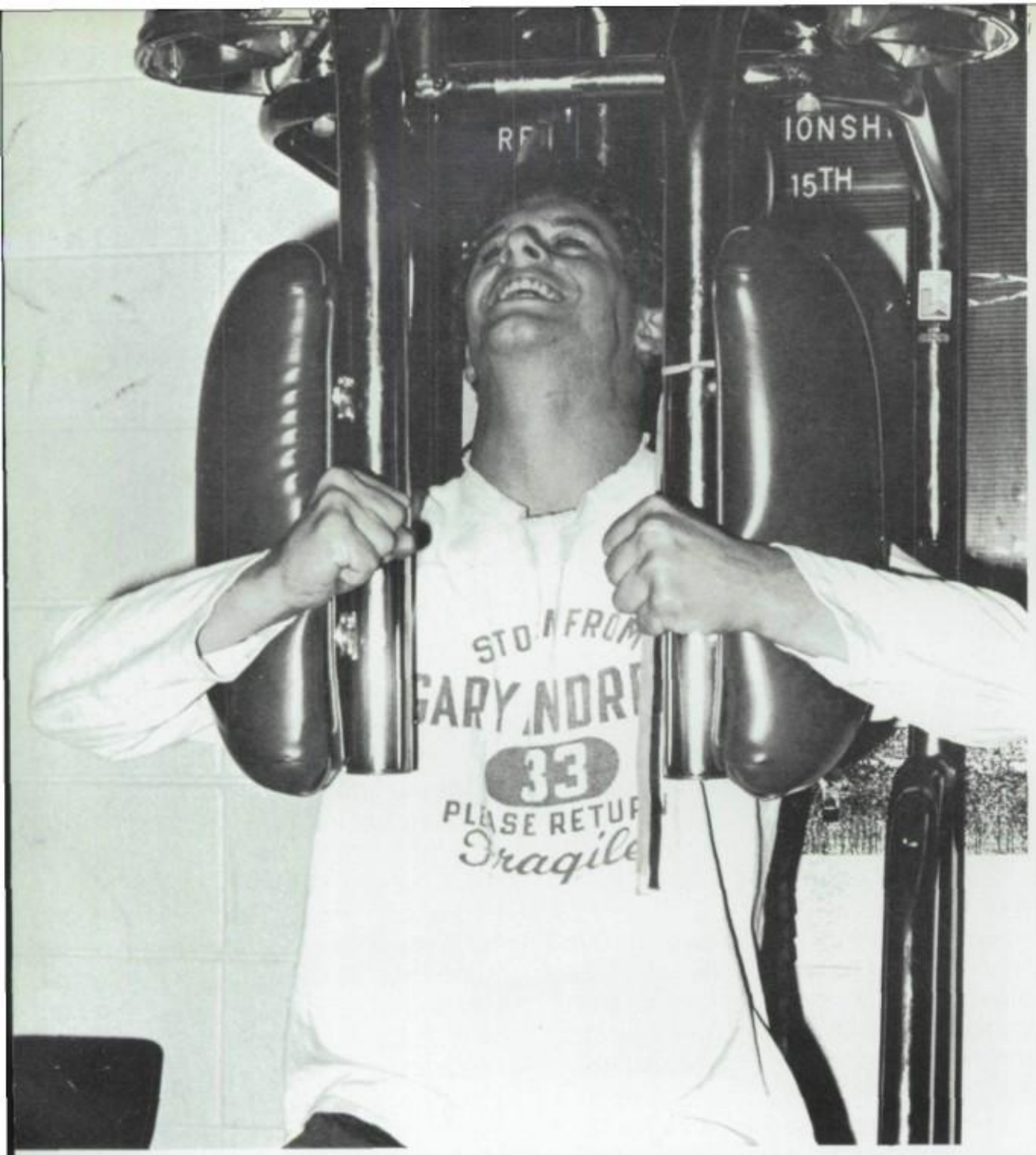

Double duty
Whether it's working out for football or earning money at Sterk's, Aaron Franko found his time divided between school, sports, friends and work. Participating in athletics while having a job proved a tough act to juggle, yet students learned how to budget their time.

Andy Vahey
Patrick Vale
Brenda VanOrman
Carl VanSenus
Rodney Vanator
Richard Vendl
Richard Viviano
Archana Vohra

Jamey Volk
Jim Wachel
Kristen Walter
Jason Wampler
Steven Webber
Sean Welsh
Julie Wenner
Billy White

Scott Whiting
Carlene Whitlow
Jennifer Wilhelm
Charles Wilke
Karen Williams
Daniel Wiseman
Gina Wlazik
James Wozniak

Martha Yannakopoulos
John Yukich
Alan Zabrecky
Michael Zaragoza
William Zeman
Robin Zipko
Benjamin Zygmunt

Go for the punch
After dancing to a fast moving song, Jason Buyer, Helene Nelson, Tina Schmidt and Chris Harrington relax while quenching their thirst with a drink from the punch bowl. Homecoming gave freshmen the first opportunity to experience a formal dance.

Crepe maze
Devoting their Saturday morning to finishing the decorations for their first Homecoming Dance, Deena Franko and Marnie Gray hang streamers to create a grand entrance. Freshmen were responsible for all aspects of the Homecoming dance.

Dana Adich
Melissa Alonzo
Brian Andreshak
Elizabeth Arent
Debbie Bachan
Mike Bacino
Greg Baker
Deana Baleckaitis

Mike Ballou
Tristana Barlow
David Bartok
Rogan Beckman
Tom Bendis
William Bennett
Richard Bernat
Ellen Blackmun

Kathleen Blair
Claudine Blatnica
Erica Boehm
Joe Bognar
Bob Bogumil
Chris Brauer
Jeremy Brenman
Laura Brietzke

Larissa Brown
Chris Bryant
Laura Bukata
Natasha Bukorovic
Jason Buyer
Martin Camire
Jennifer Carlson
Jay Carnagey

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The excited freshman hung up the phone after talking to the man of her dreams. She was about to embark on her first date, (her first dance), which she was hoping would lead to her first serious relationship.

My first date was one I'll never forget. It was at the beginning of the year and I double-dated with my best friend. Our dates rented a chauffered limousine for the evening, and then took us to Chicago for a night on the town. We ate at a really lavish restaurant and then took a long walk on the beach," stated Kathi Blair.

Although many would have liked their first date to have been as extravagant as going to Chicago for a night on the town, many were limited to staying close to home because of transportation problems. "On my first date I went to John's Pizzeria. I wanted to take my date someplace afterwards, but since I couldn't drive, we couldn't go anywhere else," said Brian Holland.

Another new experience for freshmen was going to school dances. "My first dance was Homecoming. I had a lot of fun because almost everyone I knew was there. I had a really good time dancing and having fun with all my friends," claimed Tammy Checroun.

Some people felt differently about their first dance. "Homecoming was my first dance. I had a good time, but it was built up to be some incredible dance, and when I got there it was fun, but it wasn't what I had expected," explained William Bennett.

A wild night on the town, a Homecoming dance or a simple rendezvous. Though only first year students, freshmen experienced a year of firsts, and a year full of memories.

Tammy Checroun
James Chen
Thomas Chen
Robert Cipich
Brent Clark
Amy Claustre
Cindy Cole
Kim Conley

Bobbi Conover
Patrick Cook
Laura Cooper
Tracy Creviston
Cindy Crist
Kandi Crist
Kelly Cronin
Amy Darrington

Leslie Darrow
Victoria Davis
Lisa DeCola
Rebecca Deren
Jeff Deutch
Christine Diezi
Ryan Colatowski

Don Dombrowski
Denise Dominik
Jodi Donovan
Robert Dragomer
Kim Dulany
Adam Dumaresq
Laura Dunn
Rodney Durta

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Big Brother, Big Sister group takes newcomers one-on-one

"Excuse me, could you please point me in the direction of my next class" said the intimidated freshman to the overpowering senior.

In years passed, freshmen were forced to deal with the fear of being lost by themselves. However, help was on the way.

The Big Brother/Big Sister program was designed to help freshmen with high school questions or problems. Upperclassmen who volunteered for the program were each assigned a freshman to help out by giving him or her a tour of the school on orientation day.

"My Big Sister really helped me a lot. If she hadn't given me a tour of the school, I probably would have never been able to find anything on my own," stated freshman Julie Huard.

"Before I showed my Little Brother around, he looked really nervous and scared. After a tour of the school, he seemed to be a little more confident, explained senior Colleen Smith. "I know that having a Big Brother or Sister would have helped me out a lot when I was a freshman."

Along those same lines, Student Government sponsor Mr. Dave Spitzer, English teacher added, "The program and all the time we (Student Council) spent on it was worthwhile even if it helped only one student. However, we didn't really get the results we expected."

Agreeing with Mr. Spitzer about the results, senior Blase Polite, first semester Student Body President explained, "Out of all the people who had originally signed up to be a Big Brother or Sister, only about 45 per cent actually followed through with it."

Some freshmen were never called by their Big Brother or Sister, so they had to rely on their own sense of direction to get to their next class. "My Big Sister never called me so I had to find everything on my own," said freshman Mark Zucker.

True some freshman still did get lost, and yes, the school seemed like a labyrinth of wrong way turns and deadends, but for most the Big Brother/Big Sister program proved helpful.

Lean on me
Lending a hand to her "little brother," junior Tammy Dereamer guides freshman Saul Garza in the direction of his next class. The Big Brother/Big Sister program provided freshmen with a chance to get acquainted with the school through someone who knows the ropes.

Eric East
Paul Elwood
Barbara Etter
Diana Fabian
Pollyanna Falaschetti
Mark Farinas
James Feeney
Andrea Fefferman

Donald Fesko
Lisa Fiegle
Leanne Fleck
Keri Flickenger
Patrick Forburger
Deena Franko
Melissa Frigo
John Frost

Jo Galvin
Saul Garza
Dan George
Kevin Gerdt
Jennifer Gershman
Jeff Gerson
Tim Ghrist
Scott Giba

William Gibbs
Michelle Gill
Timothy Gill
Clay Gillam
Nikki Gleason
Alison Glendening
Rob Golden
Sheryl Goldyn

Rory Gont
Julie Gordon
Robert Grady
Marnie Gray
Brian Grskovich
Juanita Gualandi
Wade Guyton
Michael Hadidian

Richard Han
Kevin Hanusin
Chris Harrington
Eric Hatfield
Karen Haver
Morgan Hawkins
Jason Heidy
Irina Hentea

Beth Hernandez
Kimberly Hinds
Jennifer Hjertquist
Mary Hoekema
Brian Holland
Eric Holtan
John Hoogewelf
Julie Huard

Kari Huber
Chauni Huddleston
Robert Hurley
Laurie Jabaay
Lisa Jabaay
Kirk Jarrett
Michael Jen
Kevin Jerich

Brad Johnson
Jennifer Johnson
Jennifer Jones
Steven Jones
Jeffery Justak
Sasa Kecman
Lawrence Keilman
Richelle Keilman

Mike Kennedy
Andrew Kieltyka
John Kim
Paul Kim
Matthew Kis
John Kish
Christopher Kiszenia
Brenda Kloeckner

James Knight
Greg Kocal
Tom Kontos
Sarah Kosenka
Traci Koziatek
Aeri Kwak
Brian Ladwig
Michael Lalich

Michael Langer
Shawn Larson
Ian Lasics
Tracy Laskowski
Frank Lee
Rebecca Levin
Jennifer Lewis
Tracy Liming

Christine Lomey
Patricia Luna
Susan Mackanos
Eric Mann
Dawn Manns
Pat Mason
Traci Mastey
Jim Matthews

Lisa Maxin
James Mazur
Lisa Medynsky
Teresa Medynsky
Vinita Mehta
Jon Michaels
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Sara Mintz
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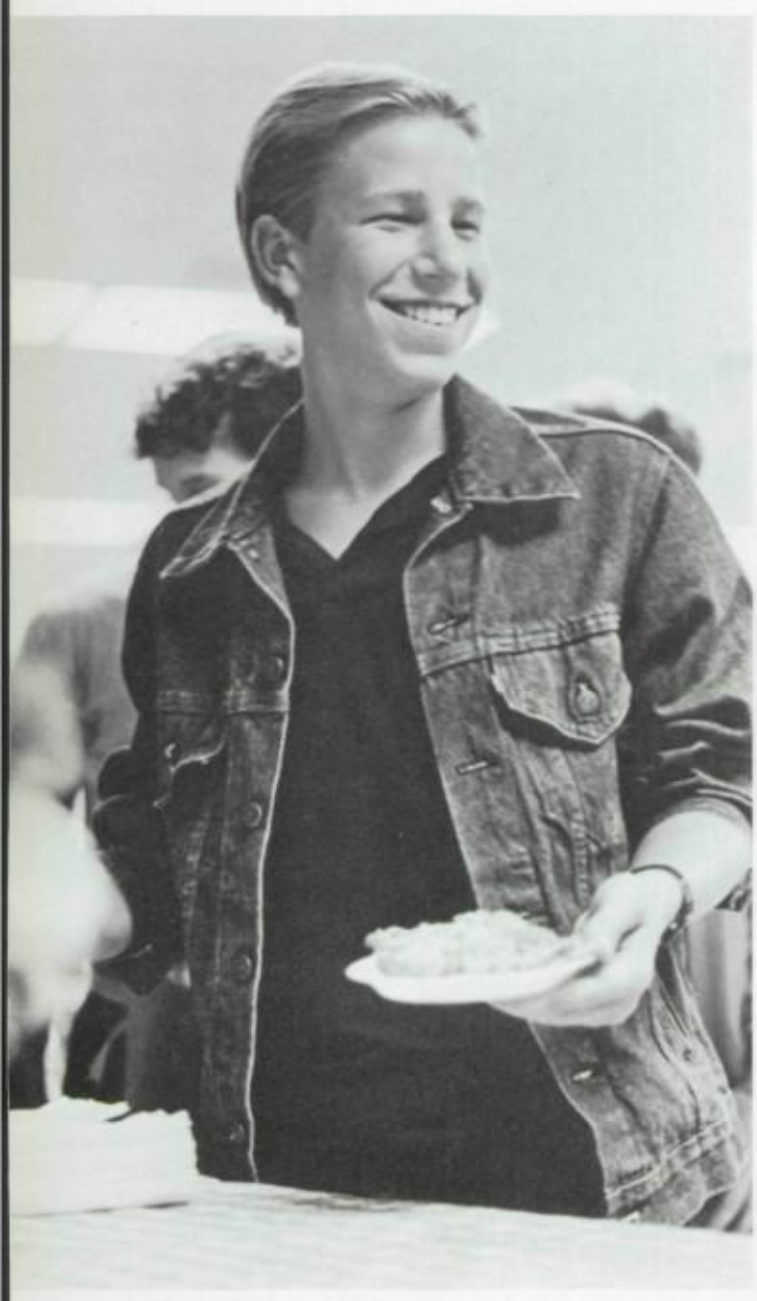

Put on a happy face
Helping himself to a piece of pizza, Eric Swardson is all smiles at the freshman pizza party. This pizza party helped to make the freshmen's first impression a good one.

Lost and found
Tentatively examining his schedule, Ken Regeski searches for the room number of his English class. Getting lost and searching for hard-to-find classrooms were common for freshmen.

Sharon Murphy
David Mussatt
Debra Nelson
Helene Nelson
Melissa Nicholas
Robert Nowak
Becca Ochstein
Shiva Ojagh

Michael Orosco
Aimee Orr
Katherine Orth
Lisa Page
Chirag Patel
Paul Pavesh
Laura Pavolvich
Michael Petrovich

Robert Petrovich
Mark Pfister
Tracy Pierce
Heather Piniak
Eric Pinkie
Amber Piskula
Laura Popiawski
Theodore Porter

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Freshmen at a loss for the first time

You can't judge a book by its cover the cliché says, as freshmen realized they experienced high school atmosphere for the first time.

For many freshmen high school gave them a scary, confused feeling. "I was a little nervous because it was a big change. I was afraid I wouldn't find my way around," said Dan Sebastian.

Along with a new setting, freshmen formed first impressions about their new classes. "I was really excited about taking my classes. Being able to take more electives, I thought they'd be interesting," said Kari Huber.

Other freshmen had preconceived notions about the difficulty of their new courses. "I thought high school classes would be a lot harder than they really were," said Kirt Pramuk.

Teachers added a facet to the high school scene. "My teachers seemed more casual because they didn't treat me so childish," said Robert Tweedle.

Furthermore, "They put more responsibility on the students to turn in assignments instead of nagging to turn them in," explained Helene Nelson.

Filling the bottom rung of the ladder, freshmen were surrounded by older students. "I knew a lot of them; they didn't pick on me," said Nick Dragos.

Finally, some freshmen found their first impressions to be correct, while others did not. "I thought it would be a big deal finally going to high school, but it's the same as the middle school only with older students," said Helene.

"Most of my first impressions were correct, except I was wrong on the amount of homework. I expected about an hour each day, but it turned out to be much more," added Kari.

After they experienced their first year of high school, freshmen realized that to understand the whole high school story, they could not judge a book by its cover.

Keith Potter
Doug Poulston
Kurt Pramuk
Ed Pudlo
Julianne Purnick
Ken Regeski
Tom Renwald
Rebecca Ribble

Erik Roseen
Christy Rossa
Adam Rothschild
Allison Rothschild
Dana Rothschild
DeAnna Ryband
Deborah Rybicki
Margo Sabina

Michele Safko
Mike Saksa
Sue Samuel
Jason Schaum
Dan Scheffel
Sean Scheffer
Tina Schmidt
Louie Schuster

Danny Sebastian
Toni Sellis
Steve Semchuck
Chris Sersic
Kari Shapiro
Joe Sheets
Heidi Silgalis
Rebecca Sims

John Sipple
Brandon Siurek
Robin Skov
Mark Smith
Curt Sobolewski
Susan Soderquist
Allison Sokol
Mia Song

Scott Spalding
Jennifer Spangler
Mike Sparling
Dave Speranza
Kim Springer
Kim Starzak
Terry Steenson
Mike Stevens

Rebecca Stodola
Laura Stover
Jamie Swanson
Eric Swardson
Jane Szakacs
Napoleon Tabion
Lennart Tan
Eric Tester

John Theis
Amy Tobias
Caroline Toth
Sheri Tracy
Robert Tweedie
Mike Ulinski
Joseph Uzubell
Stacy Vanderwoude

Michael Vanes
Kathi Vaughn
Marc Velasquez
Jennifer Vector
Doug Vis
Vicki Vrabel
Merrilynn Wranasevich
Kara Wachel

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Freshmen face licenseless life while seeking one for the road

"Dad, can you take me to my friend's house?" "Mom, will you take me shopping?" Too often, freshmen uttered these words to annoyed parents because of transportation problems.

Freshmen had to realize that although high school brought many new activities, their boundaries were limited because of a lack of transportation.

"I would have liked to have gone to more away football games, but because I couldn't drive I wasn't able to go," stated Lisa Maxin.

Just going to a friend's house could be a hassle for many students. "I didn't always get to go to my friend's house when I wanted because mom or dad weren't home," stated Steve Jones.

Agreeing with Steve, Juanita Guandi explained, "It's hard to get a ride when my friends live across town, because my parents don't want to drive there."

School bus transportation was provided to and from school for students without a drivers license. Unfortunately, freshmen viewed this as a burden, rather than as help.

"Taking the bus was a hassle, because I always had to wait outside at a certain time and then I had to wait after school when I'd rather be at home," proclaimed Dana Adich.

"It's boring, but it's much better than walking," added Steve.

When two freshmen wanted to date, they had difficulty finding a way out of Munster. "When I dated other freshmen, we could only go to some parties that were close by," explained Lisa.

Although freshmen were anxious to begin high school, they found many complications came with it. Whether simple trips to a friend's house or first dates outside of town, freshmen realized that their activities centered around the knowledge of where their ride was coming from.

Hitchin' a ride
Pleading with his older sister, junior Jen Uzubell, for a ride home, Joe Uzubell experiences the hassle of life without a license. Freshmen discovered that transportation was limited because they were too young to drive.

Kevin Walsh
Julie Walther
Michelle Wambsganss
Philip Wang
Amy Warda
William Weaver
DeeAnn Westerfield
Eileen Wheale

Kirk Wiesner
Jason Williams
Laura Williams
Clarence Wilson
Kelly Wilson
Van Wiseman
Christopher Wittkamp
Peter Wolf

Andrea Yerkovich
Matt Young
Henry Yu
Erica Zacny
Bill Zager
Robert Zawada
Mark Zucker

Service with a smile linked to referendum, policy changes

An eager, smiling face looked her straight in the eye and, with a toothy smile asked, "How may I help you?"

Students received this same "service with a smile" when the administration initiated a new rule proposal, a new committee and new money.

Helping students and teachers alike, Munster residents voted favorably for a school referendum. The referendum acquired voter approval in favor of a $600,000 increase in the General Fund Budget, to be used to increase the quality of education. Due to its passage, more money will be spent per student next year. The money will be used "to maintain the high quality of curricular and extracurricular programs by retaining highly qualified teachers through competitive salaries," Mrs. Linda Hess, School Board Vice President said.

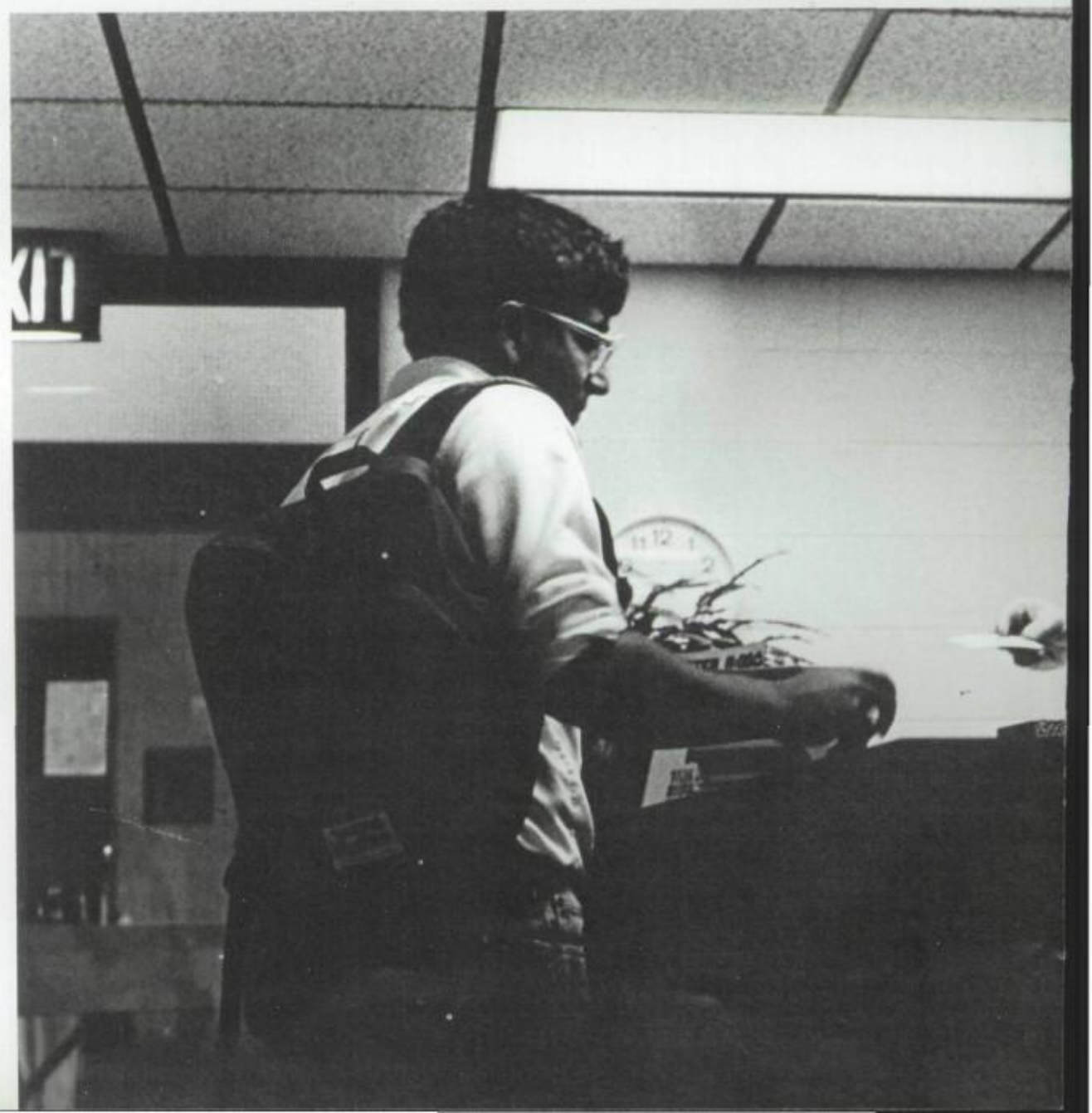
In addition, the Student Advisory Committee was re-instituted. Consisting of two Student Government members from each class plus one additional senior, the group gave students the chance to offer input on school policies. New changes, such as seven-minute passing periods and the use of Walkmans during lunch, were instituted because of a committee proposal. In defining this group's role, Principal Dr. John Preston said, "It is not a decision-making group, but an advisory group."

Helping students to better understand the rules, the administration also proposed a new, clear-cut discipline code. This proposal classified offenses as Class A through Class C, depending on the severity of the transgression. "I do like the part that spells out what will happen to a student," Assistant Principal Mr. Thomas Schatzman said. Furthermore, suspension options and progressive discipline were outlined in the proposal.

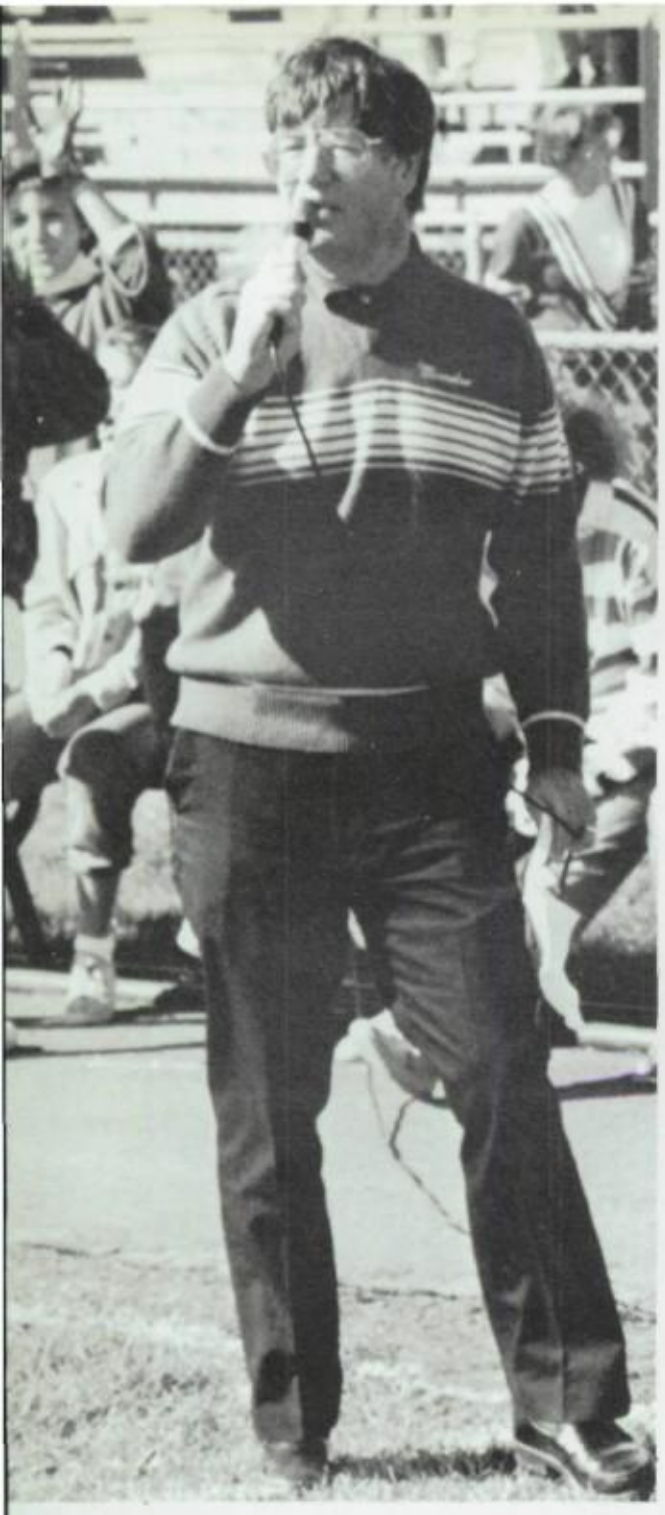
As new assistant principal, Mr. Schatzman helped provide service with a smile. Transferring from the middle school, Mr. Schatzman helped students, patrolled the halls and enforced discipline. The new assistant switched jobs because he likes to work with older students and enjoys "dealing with them on an equal level." Students seemed to take a liking to the new assistant principal. "He's a lot more understanding, and he listens to you," said junior Tracy Linnane.

With new student groups, a new classification of rules and a new school referendum, the administration employed their new services with eager smiles.

Minor adjustment
Contemplating a schedule change, senior Jenine Pestikas discusses alternatives with Assistant Principal Mr. James Bawden, Guidance Department Chairman.



All in a day's work
To ensure that junior Rajesh Shetty can get on the bus, Assistant Principal Mr. Thomas Schatzman distributes passes after school. Mr. Schatzman's responsibilities ranged from reading announcements to enforcing discipline as a new assistant principal.



Team talk
To fire up the students for the Homecoming game, Mr. John Tennant, athletic director, addresses the football players during the pep rally. The varsity football team rallied to defeat the Calumet Warriors, 24-16.

A new incentive
As he adjusts the volume on the television, Dr. John Preston, principal, makes sure the sights and sounds of the Hobart game can be seen. Dr. Preston hoped to fire up school spirit for the semi-state game against DeKalb by showing the game videotape during lunch.

School Board Members (front row) Mrs. Jacqueline Wickland; Mrs. Nancy Smallman, Vice President; Mrs. Linda Hess, Secretary. (back row) Mr. Lawrence Kocal; Dr. John Mybeck; President.

Dr. Wallace Underwood, Superintendent of Schools

Administrators Mr. Martin Keil, Director of Testing and Psychological Services; Mr. Michael Livovich, West Lake Special Education Director; Dr. Anthony Broadwell, Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs.

Moving beyond school proves teachers are people, too

There ahead of Stan Student two teachers walked down the hall. Each had a gradebook in hand. He assumed they were discussing their last hour class. But alas, as he got closer, he heard them discussing what they had done last weekend. For the first time in Stan's 12 years of schooling, he realized that "teachers are people, too."

Realizing that teachers really did more than assign homework, grade papers and give tests, Stan decided to find out what kinds of interests his teachers had.

In composition class, Stan overheard Mr. Doug Fix talking. "I get satisfaction and enjoyment out of teaching, especially if I see my students are doing well. However, I need time to do the things I want to do I need to leave enough time for myself." Stan off handedly asked him what kinds of things he needed time for. Mr. Fix said, "I love to cook. I have even taken gourmet cooking classes." Stan left class muddled.

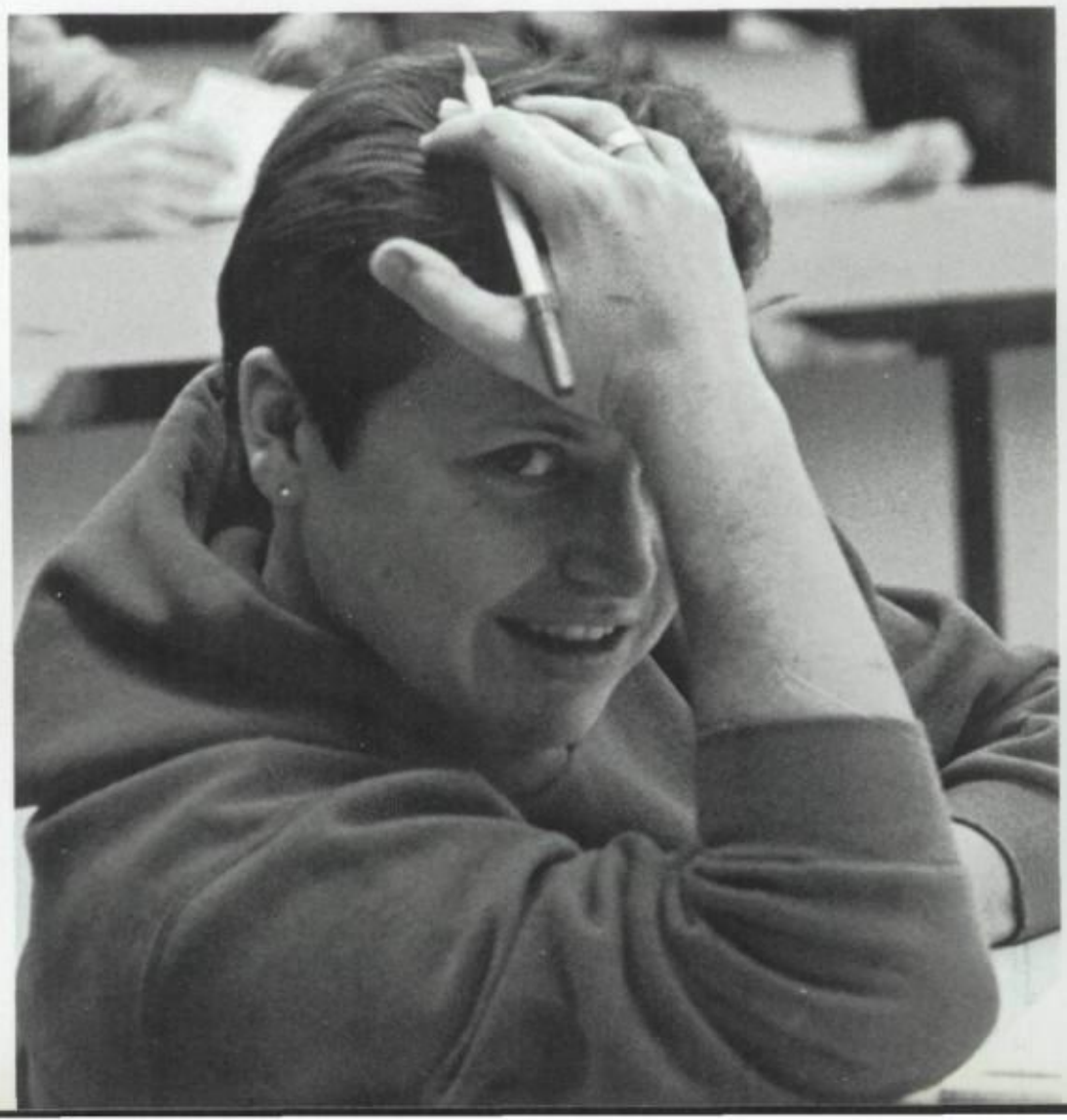
As Stan researched his report about George Washington during history class, he overheard Mr. Gene Fort discussing his recent vacations. "I've traveled all over Europe. I frequently go to art exhibits in Chicago and New York City. Also, I am an antique collector. I collect all kinds of paperweights, glass, porcelain, old prints and books."

Astonished, Stan walked to his next class with Mr. David Russell, photography and advanced English teacher. While Stan and Mr. Russell were developing film, he told Mr. Russell how suprised he was that so many teachers did "normal" things. Mr. Russell furthered Stan's shock when he said, "I love to cook and bake. I bake pies, cookies, cakes and bread. Sometimes I will bake two or three times a week and other times I do not bake for a couple weeks."

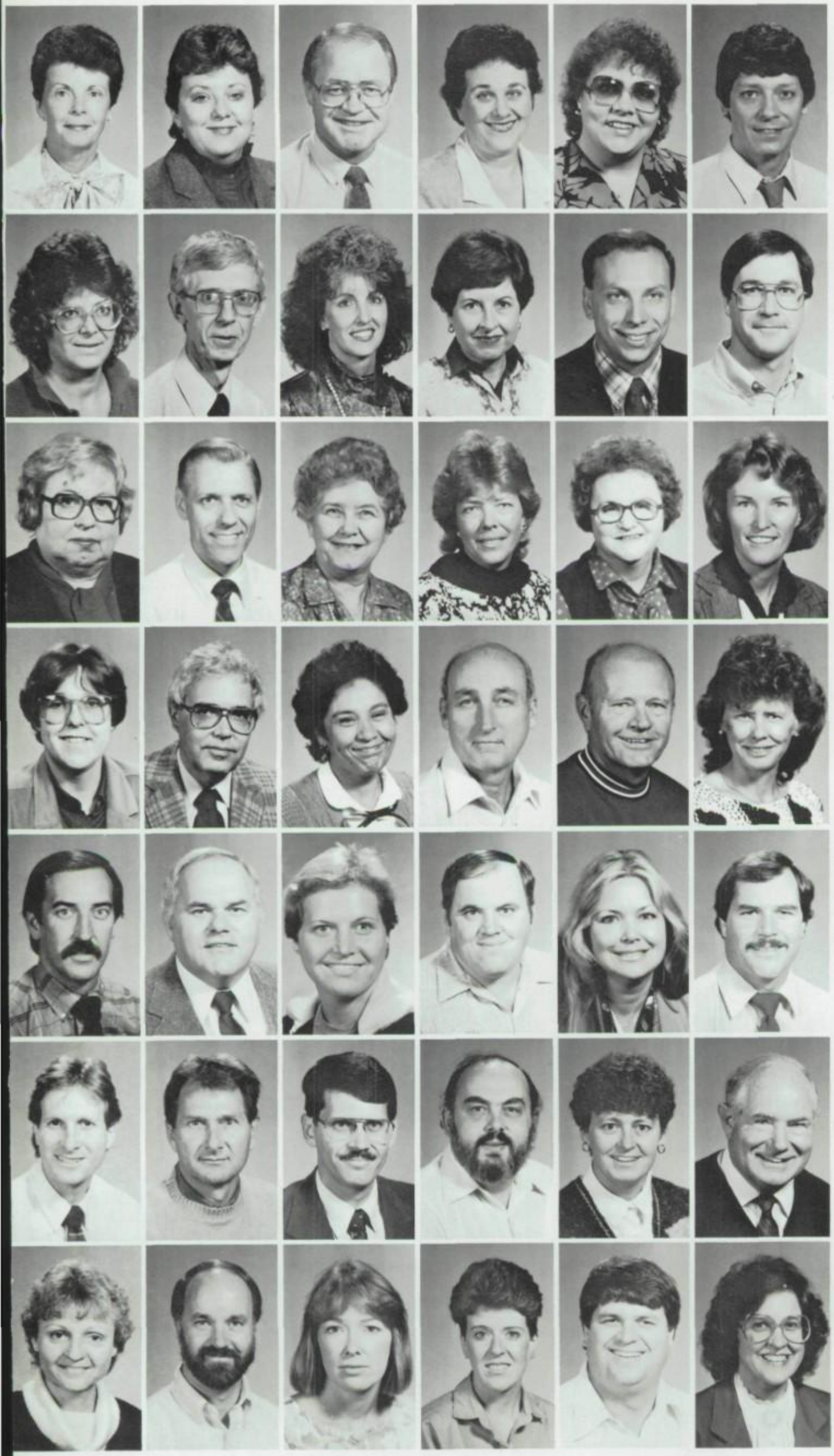
By the time Stan got to talk to Mrs. Linda Scheffer, home economics teacher, he was prepared to hear almost anything She didn't let him down. In addition to sewing and cooking at home, a few of her favorite past times sound like those of a typical high school student. "I love to drive my Corvette. I don't have to be going anywhere, I just enjoy driving. I also love MTV," she added.

As Stan sat back, he realized how silly he had been. "Teachers are people, too," he repeated, as if he still wasn't quite sure of the testimony he had heard. Slowly, he collected his books and thoughts and sauntered back down the hall. "Gee" he wondered. "What will they be doing this weekend?"

Double-duty
Temporarily relinquishing her duty as English teacher, Mrs. Linda Lemon takes over her role as "mom" to her son, Corey. Sharing a Homecoming parade with her son and sophomore David Moore is just one way of showing that she is a real person, too!



Mind boggling
Sitting through a faculty meeting, Miss Paula Malinski, physical education teacher, realizes just how long some meetings really are. Like students, teachers also didn't relish the thought of staying after school.



Miss Julie Alf: U.S. History, psychology. **Mrs. Mary Auburn:** Nurse. **Mrs. Marsha Bachand:** Special Education. **Mr. James Bawden:** Assistant Principal, Guidance Counseler. **Mrs. Phyllis Braun:** Guidance Counseler. **Mrs. Elaine Burbich:** audio visual secretary. **Mr. Nelson Clark:** physics.

Mr. Phil Clark: Humanities, World Literature. **Mrs. Karen Cook:** attendance and office secretary. **Mr. John Edington:** Science. **Mrs. Linda Elman:** Spanish, Freshman Class sponsor. **Mrs. Helen Engstrom:** English, Speech, Speech Coach. **Mr. Donald Fortner:** Business, assistant speech coach. **Mr. Dave Franklin:** science.

Mrs. Patricia Golbieweski: English, English Department chairman. **Miss Marge Gonce:** audio visual specialist. **Jeffrey Graves:** science, Scuba Club, Bowling Club, Chess Club and Trivia Club sponsor. **Mrs. Thelma Griffin:** principal's secretary. **Ms. Martha Groff:** Para-Professional. **Mrs. Nancy Hastings:** journalism, CRIER and PARAGON sponsor, Quill and Scroll sponsor.

Mr. Arthur Haverstock: science. **Mrs. De Hawkins:** art. **Mr. Richard Holmberg:** music, Vocal Music Director. **Mrs. Maria Horvath:** English, government, economics, intro. to social science, world geography. **Mr. Richard Hunt:** industrial art, Girls' basketball coach. **Mr. Jon Jepsen:** physical education, lifesaving, swim coach. **Mrs. Barbara Johnson:** math.

Mrs. Cheryl Joseph: librarian. **Mr. Jack King:** health. **Mr. Don Lambert:** English, Girls' Cross Country and Track coach. **Miss Paula Malinski:** physical education, Girls' Swim coach. **Mrs. Leroy Marsh:** health, physical edcucation, Varsity Football coach. **Mrs. Alyce Mart-Webb:** French, French Club sponsor. **Mr. Jay McGee:** sociology, Sophomore Class Sponsor.

Mrs. Helga Meyer: German, German Club sponsor. **Mr. Chris Miller:** social studies. **Mr. E. Musselman:** mathematics, Boys' Tennis and Golf Coach. **Mr. Andrew Norman:** Band Director. **Mr. George Polingue:** mathematics, computers. **Mrs. Pat Premetz:** mathematics, Girls' Softball Coach. **Mr. Ed Robertson:** English, Assistant Football Coach.

Mrs. Ruth Robertson: bookkeeper. **Mrs. Mary Ann Roval:** attendance, payroll and office secretary. **Mr. David Russell:** English, photography, creative writing. **Mrs. Linda Scheffer:** home economics, cheerleading sponsor. **Mrs. Cynthia Schnabel:** Orchestra Director. **Mr. George Shinkan:** mathematics, Varsity Baseball Coach. **Mrs. Patricia Sims:** mathematics.

'Say what?' Teachers' familiar quotes give way to repetition

Every teacher has one, and nobody knows when it could suddenly pop up. A temper? No. An embarrassing teen-age story? Hardly. A phrase repeated so often that students cringe when it's spoken? Yes.

Whether they be philosophical, comical, or just plain hackneyed, every teacher has a favorite little phrase that slipped out at the least suspecting moment. Try your luck on the teachers' quote quiz below. You just might find a new, usable, philosophical, comical and trite expression!

1. "You Bozo!"
2. "It's your problem!"
3. "Well, I never!"
4. "Es la verdad! (It's the truth)"
5. "I'm impressed!"
6. "Have I mentioned yet . . . ?"
7. "Are we having fun yet?"
8. "Death and dismemberment."
9. "Cretins"
10. "Hershey squirts"
11. "Just as sure as God made little green apples!"
12. " 'Quote', 'unquote' "
13. "Long live Ireland!"
14. "This, that and the other thing."
15. "When I used to live in Logansport . . . "
16. "Turn it into today, 10 extra credit points"
17. "My gut reaction"
18. "You sound like a bunch of old bodies playing bingo"
19. "We're on my time"
20. "N'est-ce pas (Isn't it)"
21. "If you can fly with the owls you can't soar with the eagles"
22. "This is a family show here"
23. "Water, water everywhere"
24. "Let me tell you a story . . . "
25. "County Club weather"
26. "Yes, no—don't guess."
27. "People . . . "
28. "As I say, . . . "
29. Que padre! (wow)

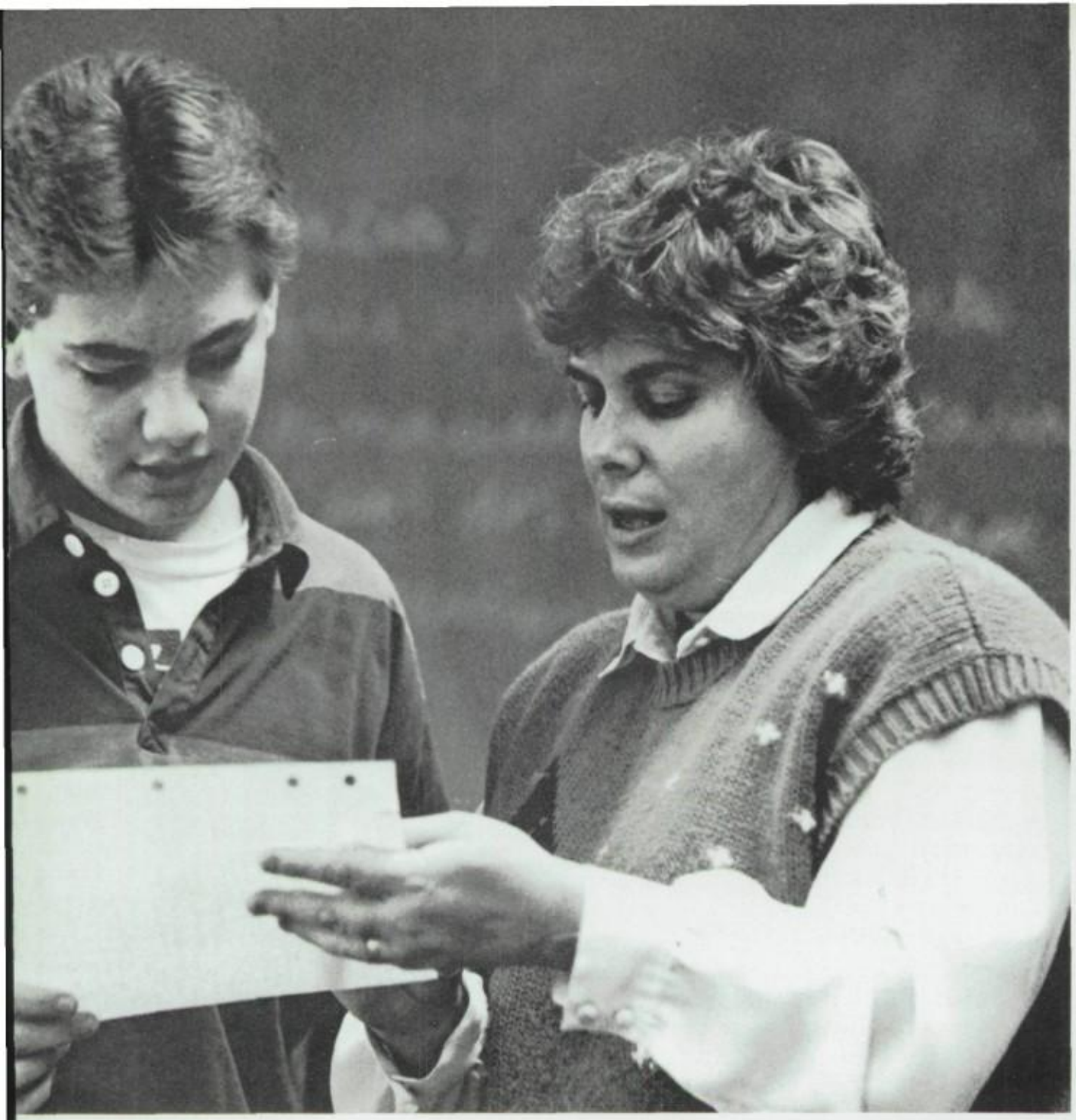
Answers: 1. Mr. Jim Stone, 2. Ms. Kathy Dartt, 3. Mr. Doug Fix, 4. Mrs. Anne Whiteley, 5. Mr. George Pollingue, 6. Mr. Bob Wendall, 7. Mrs. Pat Premetz, 8. Mr. Art Haverstock, 9. Mr. Jeff Graves, 10. Mr. Jack King, 11. Mr. Gene Fort, 12. Tom Whiteley, 13. Mr. Jay McGee, 14. Miss Julie Alt, 15. Mr. Jack Yerkes, 16. Mr. Ed Robertson, 17. Mrs. Helen Engstrom, 18. Mr. Dave Spitzer, 19. Mrs. Nancy hastings, 20. Mrs. Alyce Mart-Webb, 21. Mr. Dick Hunt, 22. Mr. Steve Wroblewski, 23. Mr. Al Smith, 24. Mr. John Edington, 25. Mr. Leroy Marsh, 26. Mr. Ed. Musselman, 27. Mr. Ross Haller, 28. Mr. Don Kernaghan, 29. Mrs. Linda Elman.

Do you understand?
Explaining to sophomore Tim Engle, Mrs. Anne Whiteley, Spanish teacher, helps translate a difficult Spanish sentence. Her answer was probably preceded by one of her catch phrases, "Quae Barbaridad!"

Mr. Bruce Spindler: special education. **Mr. David Spitzer:** English, Student Government sponsor. **Mr. James Thomas:** chemistry. **Mrs. Charlene Tsoutsouris:** Spanish, Spanish Club sponsor. **Mr. Donald Ullman:** science, Science Club sponsor. **Mrs. Dorothy Van Zyl:** Athletic Office secretary.

Mrs. Jody Weiss: English. **Mrs. Marsha Weiss:** guidance counselor, National Honor Society sponsor. **Mrs. Anne Whiteley:** Spanish, Spanish Club sponsor. **Mr. Thomas Whiteley:** history, Girls' Golf Coach. **Miss Annette Wisniewski:** Guidance Counselor. **Mr. Steve Wroblewski:** mathematics, computers, Assistant Football Coach.

Mr. Jack Yerkes: English, Assistant Football and Freshman Basketball Coach. **Mrs. Mary Yorke:** English, speech, Assistant Speech Coach. **Mrs. Ann Zelenke:** art.



Bus drivers. (front row) Janet Welch, Ann Vermeulen, Brigette Wittgren. (back row) Cookie Cronenworth, Mert Zandstra, Emily Orosco.

Custodial Staff. (front row) Bill Clark, Head Custodian; Bill Poole. (back row) Maria Caparelli; Martha Korluk; Maggie Lloyd; Mary Sebastian.

Cafeteria staff. (front row) Vera Snyder, Vicki Sharkey, Theresa Bucko, Gayle Molnar, Pauline Wolak, Sally Scaggs, J. Chromchik. (row two) Joanne Scheive, Leta Rossa, Mary Bogdan, Rita DeRolf, Kathleen McCormack, Eleanor Watt, Sonia Mendoza, Leila Goldschnikl, Mary Smolinski. (back row) Sally Kulas, Jean Biesen, Annete Watson, Mary Salczak, Marie Zabrecky.

Munster—a small town founded by Germans over 50 years ago. With a population of 20,617 and only one high school, it sounds like a basic suburb, right? Well . . . located only 28 miles from Chicago, the town plays host to many extraordinary features. Travel north on Columbia Ave. and three giant steel sculptures, named Yesterday and Today for Tomorrow loom above the Ridge Road intersection. Turn west, and the newly renovated Old Town Hall now hosts the Old Town Hall Restaurant. Though certainly not a rural area, 7 parks dot the town as young and old enjoyed the facilities. For the serious comsumer, 3 shopping centers offered their services, ranging from sporting goods to office supplies Whatever the service, products or fringe benefit the town offered, Munster gave more than enough reasons for patrons to say

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Munchie-madness
Tostitos as her snack choice, junior Lynn DeChantal satisfies her craving for a late night nibble. Stores such as Banner, Sterk's, or Key Markets provided a huge selection of "munchies" for students to enjoy.

Tedious toning
Carefully watching the instructor, senior Kristi Dunn works at toning up her legs at Betty's Body Shop. Aerobics proved to be a popular form of excercise as muscles were built up and flab was burned off.

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Luck of the draw

If you won the million dollar lottery what would you buy first . . .

1. Sports car
2. Vacation
3. Move out of Munster
4. Go on a shopping spree
5. Throw a big party
6. Buy a house in a warm climate
   Spend money on family and friends.
7. Live in a big house or mansion
8. Put money in the bank and save it
   Invest the money
9. Buy an island
10. Donate some money to charity

"Buy a starship"
Mr. Nelson Clark, physics teacher

"Buy the world a coke"
senior Laura Welsh

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All you can eat

If you had to eat one thing for the rest of your life it would be . . .

Top Ten Choices

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2. Burger King Double Cheeseburger
3. Ribs
4. Shrimp & Lobster
5. Crazy Bread
5. Ice cream
6. Oriental Food
6. Chocolate Cake
7. Spaghetti
8. Tacos
9. McDLT's
10. Steak

"I'd eat hash browns with guacamole because it wakes me up right away and I eat it right before my finals."
senior Marvin Mickow

"I'd eat mandarin oranges from a can because they taste incredible and are tiny enough to stuff a whole bunch in my mouth."
senior Amy Paulson

"Honey glazed pickle and peanut butter and jelly sandwich because it's like eating pickles, donuts and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches all at once."
senior Scott Blantica

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2. Breakfast Club
3. Back to the Future
4. Pee Wee's Big Adventure
5. Blues Brothers
6. About Last Night
   Stand By Me
7. Gone With the Wind
   Wierd Science
8. Pretty in Pink
9. Sixteen Candles
   Without a Trace
10. Up in Smoke

Repo Man—"I liked this movie because you had to stay on your feet to understand it."
junior Jay Dye

Rocky Horror Picture Show—"It was the only movie where they let you go wild and actually throw things at the screen"
junior Jodi Clapman

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Francine Okun-Gardberg, Owner

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3. Wendy's
4. Shakey's
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6. Schoop's
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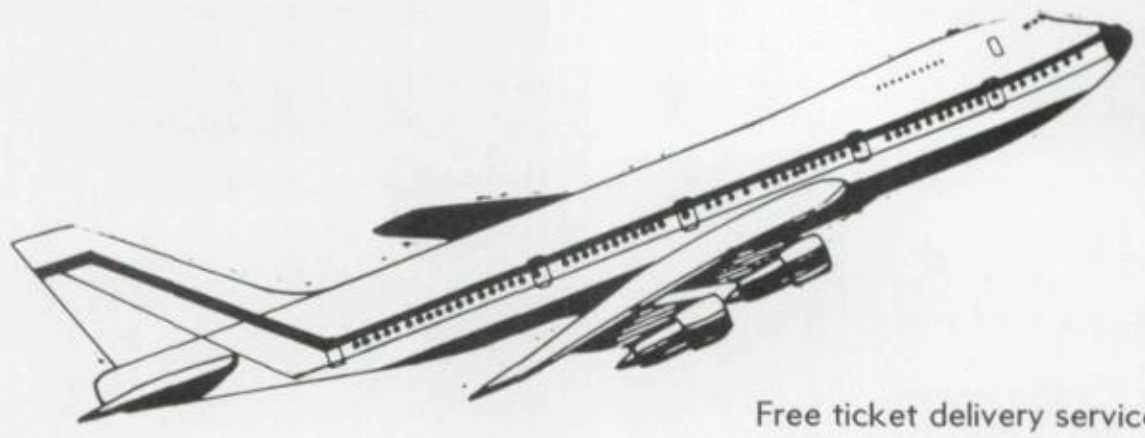

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If I could only watch one show a week, I'd watch . . .

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2. Growing Pains
3. Moonlighting
4. Family Ties
5. St. Elsewhere
6. Who's the Boss
7. Mash
8. Magnum P.I.
9. Cheers
10. All My Children

1. "I like the Jetson's because cartoon's are happening, and they let us escape reality."
senior Dan Colbert

2. "I like 60 Minutes because they're good at putting people on the spot."
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Perfect 10's

My ideal dream date would be . . .

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2. Tom Cruise
3. Rob Lowe
4. Jon Bon Jovi
5. Sylvester Stallone
6. Mitch Gaylord
7. Mark Harmon
8. Clint Eastwood
9. Arnold Schwartzenegger
10. Emilio Estevez

"Sylvester Stallone is my favorite male sex symbol because he always plays strong hero roles and he has a very muscular body."
Cami Pack, junior

"Jon Bon Jovi is my favorite male sex symbol because he is so gorgeous and he has a great voice and I love his songs."
Tracy Silverman, junior

1. Heather Locklear
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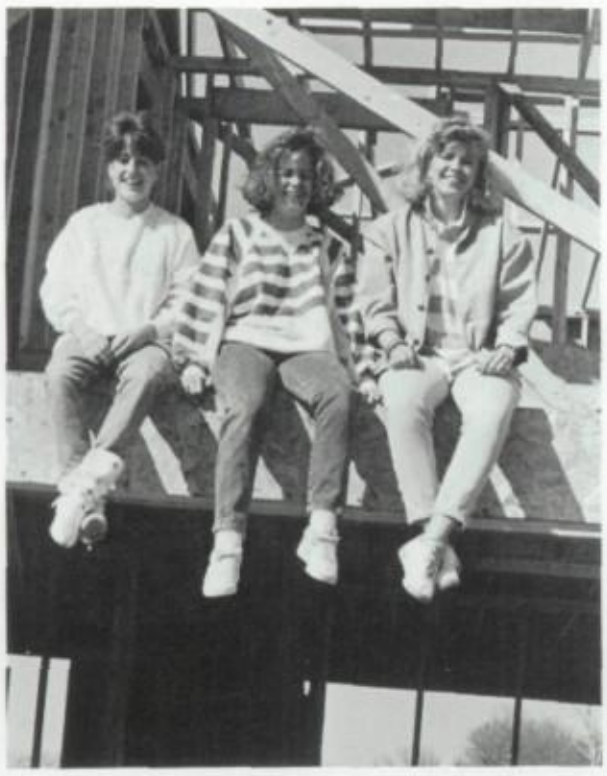

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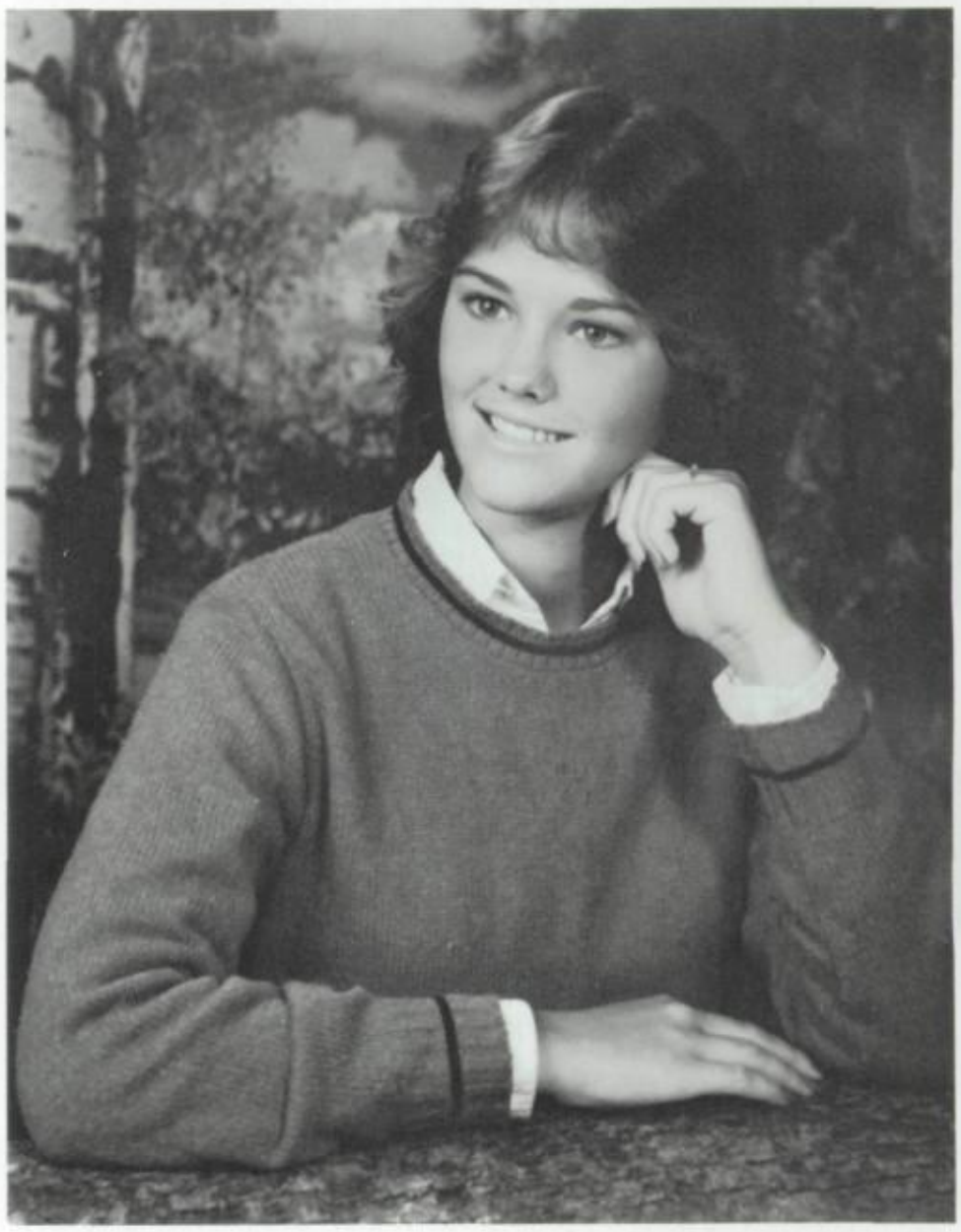

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Serving up the technicalities
Colophon

The 1987 Paragon evolved from five anxious editors sitting around a table eating bagels and piecing together a ladder. The "five" snowballed into 40 staff members exhausting their best efforts to do their part for the yearbook. By June 5, maximum capacity was reached when the book was completed and successfully "Over 1200 were Served." Two hundred fifty six pages of Volume 22 were shipped to Herff Jones Yearbooks in Montgomery, AL, where 1000 books were printed. Yearbooks sold for $17 and rose to $20.

The staff-designed, lithograph cover is printed in four color. Hand written letters dominate the front cover, while the backbone and Paragon '87 are in Avant Garde Book. Using 160 point binders board, the cover was smythe sewn, rounded and backed, and protected with lamination. The 256 pages were printed on 80 lb. Bordeaux Special paper. End sheets feature process yellow and black inks on a staff design.

The opening signature features four-color color photography with a accents in ultra red and process yellow. Division spreads feature ultra red accents. The theme pages feature various sizes of Avant Garde Book and italic types. Body copy throughout the book is in 10 pt. Avant Garde with 8 pt. captions.

Headline type varies throughout the sections, many featuring handset Formatt type faces. Student Life headlines use Avant Garde Book and Book Italic, while the Weekly Routine section features Times Roman Bold. The Prime Time mini-magazines features Korinna type faces. Organizations uses Caslon and Mistral main heads, with Chelsea Light Italic secondary heads. Fall and spring sport headlines used Century Nova main headlines, while winter sports feature Helvetican Shadow. Secondary heads and matching pull quotes are in Korinna or Helvetica Italic.

Academic pages featured Eurostyle main heads, with Avant Garde secondary heads. The people section used Helvetica Italic, while the advertising section used Chelsa type with feature heads in Gillies Gothic Light with Universe secondary heads.

Root Photographers of 1131 West Sheridan Road in Chicago photographed all faculty and student portraits and most club group shots, while the majority of the candid photos were taken by staff photographers.

The staff would like to express our deepest gratitude to Mr. George Kingsley for his guidance; fat-food restaurants to help peak our valleys; (especially Dairy Queen at 9:59 p.m.); and most of all Mrs. Hastings for her patience and understanding, an unforgetable all-nighter (excuse me, make that all-nighters), and providing a place for us to unleash our most personal vocabulary!

Over 1200 reasons to be *Laid back 'n loose*

As the year wound down to a close and the warm air settled in, students traded in their jeans and sweaters for shorts and t-shirts. Skepticism with politicians surged as the Iran-Contra scandal puzzle was meticulously pieced together in the year's most intriguing "whodunnit." The school opened its gym doors to 305 graduates, their friends and family in a graduation ceremony, peppered with words of wisdom and fond recollections. But as "Pomp and Circumstance" filled the air, students realized their year-long assignment was complete. The blanks had been completely filled over 1200 different, unique ways.

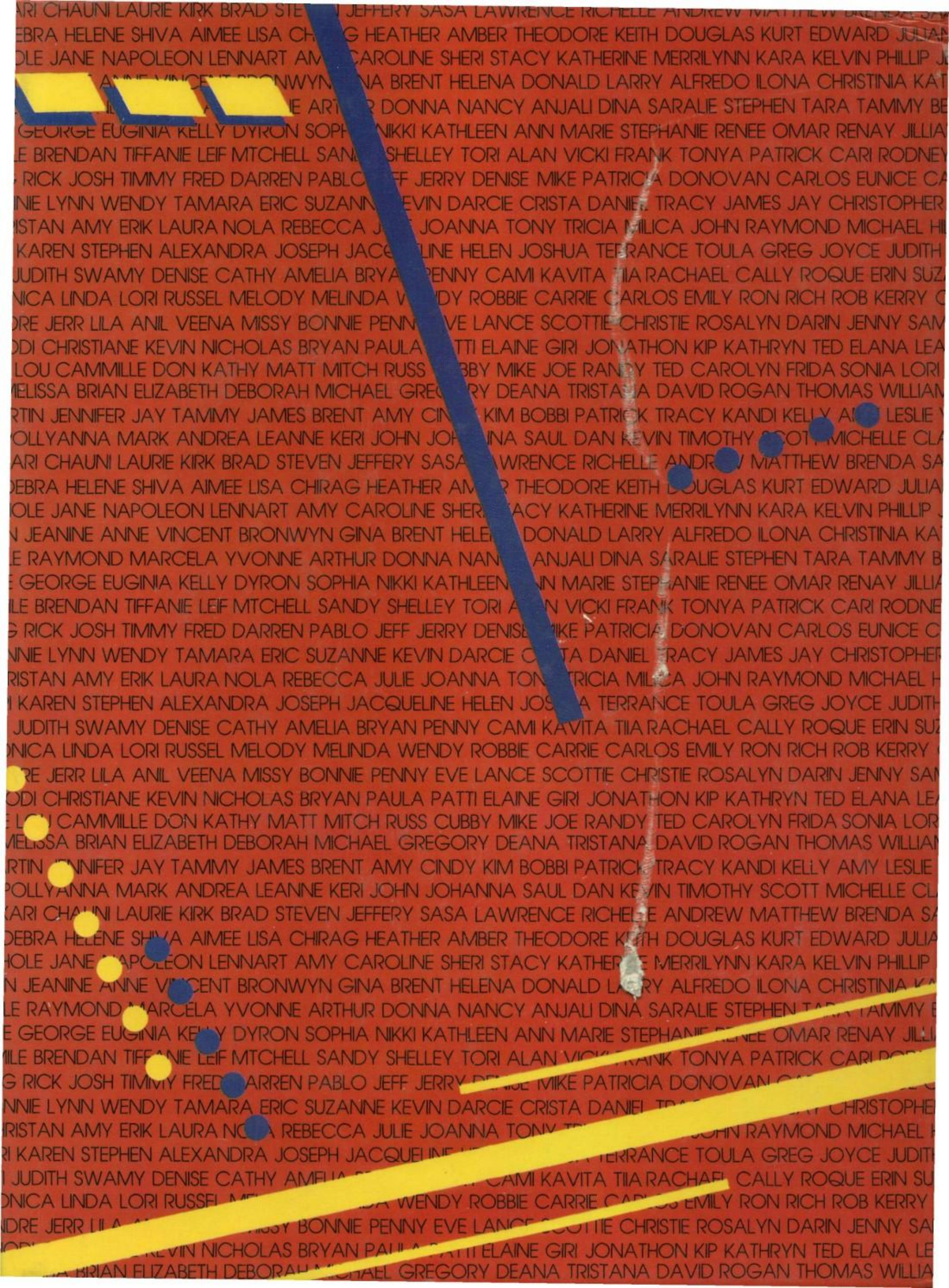
By candlelight
As they encircle the esteemed "candle of truth," new inductees into Quill and Scroll prepare to light the candle. Quill and Scroll, the international High School Journalistic Honorary, represents leadership and commitment to high school journalism.

Hop, skip, and a jump
Carefully trying to perfect his dancing, sophomore Thomas Ellison works after school on his moves. Thomas' hard work payed off as he mastered his footwork for the opening night of "Man of La Mancha."

Phone first
Taking time-out from lunch to call her brother Takashi, senior Yoko Nokamura catches up on the latest Purdue University gossip. Lunch hours and passing periods provided the perfect chance to call friends and family during the day.

The eyes have it
Waiting patiently for the Star-Spangled Banner, members of the 400-yard medley relay team and alumnus Champ Merrick show their respect to the flag. The swimmers' attitude changed, however, as they psyched each other up in preparation for their record setting swim.

Summertime snooze
Sharing his bed with the dandelions, senior Ryan Boyd takes advantage of the warm summer-like day. As spring days grew warmer, students took to the outdoors and played hackysack, frisbee, or just soaked up the sun.

Serving it up Munster-style

Back-up!
Helping "Joe Banana and His Bunch" sing "Good Love" by the Animals, senior Colleen Murphy and junior Julianne Chevigny take their place on stage. Crowd participation helped entertain 196 prom couples.